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Minute Book
Commenced Friday 16th
1895
Ending 14th Sept 1900

1895 — Friday 16th August — An Adjourned
August 16th Meeting of the Louth Commissioners acting as
the New Rop Urban Sanitary Authority held
this day at 7½ Oclock PM. to transact
business pursuant to the Public Health (Ireland)
Act 1878 — Also to Consider the question of the
best place to Store manure. Present Mess^rs —
David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
James Dowling
Matthew S. Finn
Peter L Byrne
Henry G. Hinson
Cheques were issued for the following amounts

93 — Sanitary Weekly Bill —— £1.18.2

~~G. A Hickey Medical Superintendent Offices of Health~~
~~95 half years salary due 14th July 1895~~ Cancelled ~~7.10.0~~

96 John Robin Executive S. Officer ½ Salary due 5th July 895 4.13.9

Sanitary Report

No 710 I hereby report to you that my attention
has been directed by Sanitary Sub Officer Redmond
to house in Mary Street occupied by James
Harney. I Inspected it and found a Pony
occupying a room in House and also Pig
in Yard in a filthy state, and I recommend
that the animal be removed to an outhouse
and the pig Yard Cleaned and kept in a
proper manner. M. J. Meehan
14th August 1894 Medical Officer of Health

Ordered — That Notice be served on James
Harney requiring him to remove the animal
from his house and ~~Keep the Yard~~ Clean this
Yard

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and Keep it so — So limewash his House or Get it limewashed and Cleaned.

A note was read from Mr L. S. Power Bridge Street - here Rep - saying Lwish to draw Your attention to the extremely offensive state of the Sewer a little above Keeffes house in this Street and hope that Yow will See to the Nuisance as Soon as possible

Proposed by Mr Hinds
Seconded by Mr Dowling —

That the Sanitary Sub Officer examine the premises of Mr Keeffe of the Quay, and if no back yard privy and Ash pit be found that the Same Course be adopted as in the Cases of Mr Tattenhams Tenants, and if no Sanitary accommodation be found, that the Medical Officers attention be Called to the matter.

Passed Unanimously.

The Executive Sanitary Officer Reported that he had been the traps and pipes opened and Cleaned in the Artizans Dwellings in William Street by M Cahill one of the Commissioners Men. They were in a very filthy Condition, Some of them stopped up. He was obliged to open many part of the ground and Remove parts of the pipes that were stopped in order to Get them Cleared of the matter that filled them. The traps and Pipes

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Were in very filthy Condition. That he (Ex S. Offim) told the Tenants in the different houses that any tenant found stopping the the traps or with Matters would be put out of the houre: That the main sewer in the street was broken down.

Ordered — That a form of notice be Prepared by the Ex. S. Officer Warning the Tenants that if they throw any substance into the traps that will Cause them to be stopped or obstructed in allowing Water to pass through them the Tenant found doing so will be noticed to quit.

Ordered — That the traps in the Yards of the Commissioners houses be inspected by the Sanitary Sub Officer and Michael Cahill once in each fortnight by having the traps drawn up and the piping examined, and that the Sanitary Sub Officer report the result of each fortnightly inspection.

Ordered — That the main sewer in William be opened, Cleared and properly Covered.

Sanitary Sub Officers Report Shane & State. that John Connors South Street Sold his pigs. Thomas Higgins both Street Sold his pigs. They have no pigs at present.

Served Dr Meehan with Sanitary Notice Calling his attention to the back Yards

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of houses occupied by Bridget Foley and John Ryan Mary Street. Edward Cooney and Mary Murray South Street. Mary Brien John Street Where pigs have been Kept in Back Yards of the houses occupied by them.

Visited the houses and back Yards in in Barrack Lane Found the manure removed and the Yards Clean. Number visited Twenty three.

The Consideration of the letter from Mr Dickson respecting the manure Yard was adjourned to next-Meeting the Members to be noticed to attend

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 21st August 1895.

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August 16th

Friday the 16th August A weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Members in attendance — Messrs —
David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
James Doocling
Matthew J Finn
Peter L Byrne
Henry G. Hinson

Cheques were issued for the following amounts

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94 Weekly Bill — — £ 5.0.6

97 Edward Cooney building wall and as per Contract
slating half roof of house at Fair Gate 6.3.6

In accordance with Order passed at last Meeting a proposal was read from Mr Alexander offering 22/6 per heap for two heaps of Manure

Accepted

Proposed by Mr Hinson
Seconded by Mr Dowling —

That inasmuch as it was with the greatest difficulty to Collect a Sufficient number of Commissioners to Constitute a Quorum, arising from the non attendance of Members, Consequently the business of the Town is inefficiently and with great difficulty discharged the entire business being thrown upon a few Commissioners.

That the Chairman direct that the attention of all Commissioners be drawn to the matter, and if they Cannot Conveniently attend to perform the duty, that they be required to Lend in their resignation, that Working Commissioners be appointed in their stead

Passed Unanimously

Ordered — That Messrs — Moran Brothers be asked the price for which they will supply Official Note paper and letter

paper with the new Rep Arms. thereon.

Inspectors Report— I have to State that three Lack Poles had been in the Commissioners Yard on the Quay for the last few years. No men working in this Yard on this day (6th August) only Carman drawing in manure to the Yard. the poles had been removed Cuman told me in Marsh Lane after five o'clock. I went over to the Yard and I was told that Patrick Finch Patrick Lawless and Tom Hunt had Cut the timber and gone along the Quay and into Samuel Keoghs store. I went into the store and M Keogh told me he bought the timber from them. I took a piece of the timber from the store. I went after the three men and told them what I heard. they told me they Cut the timber and took it away but it was not belonging to the Commissioners

Michael Cuman states that the stench trap to be put down in Marsh Lane is not easey to be done and thinks it would be better to have a Mason to do it.

I Called Thomas Byrnes attention to the Crossing in Charles street Marsh Lane Priory Lane Quay street & the Quay that require repairs. No Repairs done as yet.

~~Mat Meyers— Moran Brothers~~

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Ordered — That the Inspector and all persons who had any knowledge of taking of the timber from the manure yard

Or that the Fire Engine be brought out for exercise at a time fixed on by Mr Hinson and the Chairman

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 21st August 1895.

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August 21st

Wednesday 21st August. A meeting of the Town Commissioners acting as the New Rop Urban Sanitary Authority held this day at 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Public Health (Ireland) Act 1878 &c Also — "To Consider the question of the best place to store manure".

Members present — Mesrs —

David Murphy Chairman in the Chair

Henry G. Hinson

Patrick Hunt

James Dooley Dowling

Matthew I. Finn

Patrick Kennedy

99 The Sanitary Weekly Bill amounted to — £1. 12. 0

Sanitary Reports

No 711 I hereby Report to you that my attention

has been drawn by Mr Redmond to back Yard of house occupied by Constable Jones, that I inspected it and found a nuisance caused by by stagnant sewage and I recommend that the sewer leading from "French's Court" Barrack Lane be opened and a free outlet given to the sewage.

N. J Meehan

21st day of August 1895. Medical Officer of Health

No 712

I hereby report to you that my attention has been drawn by Mr Redmond to house occupied by Mr Keeffe Bridge street, that I inspected it on the 21st Instant and found it deficient in Sanitary accommodation, and I recommend that Sanitary accommodation be provided by erecting a Water Closet.

N J Meehan

21st August 1895. Medical Officer of Health

Ordered - That Notice be served on Joseph W. Deane, Long Quay, requiring him, as owner, to cause the drain leading from French's Court, Barrack Lane, to be opened, and a free outlet given to the sewage.

Ordered - That Notice be served on William Cherry Surgeon General, Creywell, New Ross, Representative of the Firm of Cherry Brothers, Creywell New Ross, requiring him to cause to be fixed up a proper Water Closet at the house of their Tenant, Michael Keeffe on the Quay New Ross.

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The following was read.

21, 841/'95 — Miscellaneous.

Local Government Board Dublin
14th August 1895

Sir,

Common Lodging Houses.

I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to call the attention of Sanitary Authorities to the provisions of section 87 of the Public Health (Ireland) Act 1878, in regard to the registration of Common Lodging Houses. The section referred to requires that every Sanitary Authority shall Keep a Register in which shall be entered the names and residences of the Keepers of a Common Lodging Houses within their district the situation of every such House and the number of Lodgers Authorized to be received therein, and further provides that such Register shall at all reasonable times be open to the inspection of any ratepayer of the District.

From a Report recently received by the Board it appears that in many Sanitary Districts the requirements of the section in question are not complied with, and they have therefore to point out that the terms of the Section are mandatory and should be duly observed by the Sanitary Authority of each district Urban and Rural.

Other

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other Sections of the Act following that above mentioned Contain important provisions on the same subject and the Board have to request that the Sanitary Authority of each district in which the law in relation to the registration of Common Lodging Houses has not hitherto been fully Carried out will now give the matter their immediate attention.

The Board would invite special attention to the imperative requirements of Section 91 of the Act in regard to the making of Bye-Laws. Common Lodging Houses which are not under proper Regulations and Supervision are fertile sources of danger to the Public Health, especially through the facilities they afford for the spread of various forms of infectious disease.

The Board trust that in the interest of the Public Health and of Morality, the Sanitary Authority will if they have not done so, take such steps as will ensure strict Compliance with the important provisions of the Public Health Act to which the Board have drawn attention above.

I am Sir
Your obedient Servant
Thomas A. Mooney
Secretary.

To the Executive Sanitary Officer of each Sanitary Authority Urban & Rural.

Ordered – That the Register of Common Lodging

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Lodging Houses be prepared as directed.
That the proper Notice be issued, directing
persons desirous of Keeping Common
Lodging Houses, to take the necessary steps
& have their names duly entered on the
Register of Common Lodging Houses.

Mr Hinson Called attention to the State of
the Yard of 11 Phelans House in Robertson
The Sanitary Sub Officer was Called before
the meeting and in reply stated that he
had seen the Yard recently.
The Executive Sanitary Officer read the
different reports, the orders and the notice
served on 11 Phelan
Mr Hinson and Mr Dowling Consented
to see the Yard next day at 10½ Oclock A.M.

In Reference to Mr Dickinsons Letter
respecting the letting of the Manure Yard
referred from previous meetings — it
was agreed that the Ex. S. Officer Call
on Mr Hinson next day to receive from
him Copy of a letter to be sent to Mr Dickinson
in reply to his letter.

Const Jones House near French's Court

Sanitary Sub Officers Report — I have to
State that I served Mr Meehan with a
Sanitary notice for the back Yard of
House occupied by Constable Jones

Where

a Nuisance is Caused by Stopped outlets in the yard leading from French's Court to the Hill School. Mr Deane of Long Graigue is the Landlord.

Shane ~~to State~~ that I Served Dr Meehan with a Sanitary Notice for the house occupied by Michael Keeffe on the 2nday and Bridge Street as no back yard belongs to the house. Dr Cherry is the Landlord.

John Keogh the Contractor have fixed up the new pump head to the Abyssinian pump in Rosbercon. The old pump head is in the Engine Room.

Shane ~~to State~~ that James Stacey, the Tenant for the yard where the main sewer passes the rere of the Commissioners houses, did not Clean it up. The open sewer in the yard after the heavy rain for the past few months got filled. I had to get the Commissioners men to Clean it up on this week. Stacey will not be able to ~~Clean~~ Keep it Clean and remove the manure from the Yard. It is better to have the Commissioners men to Clean it and have the manure removed, not to have it fall down in the Channel again.

Ordered - That the sewer at rere of the Commissioners houses ~~be~~ near Fair Gate be Cleared by the Commissioners men and that the stuff taken therefrom be removed

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to the Burnicen Lane.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 28th August 1895

1895 — August 21st

Wednesday 21st August — A weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners ~~acting as the~~ and ~~Street~~ Committee held this day after 4 o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 — Members present — Mayor —

David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Henry G. Hinson
Patrick Hunt
James Dowling
Matthew J Finn
Patrick Kennedy

98 The Weekly Bill amounted to — £5.5.6

The Street Inspector and M. Curran were Called before the meeting respecting the larch poles taken from the Commissioners Yard After hearing their information on the Subject, it was

Proposed by Mr Hinson
Seconded by Mr Dowling —

That McAlpen be instructed to Summon Patrick Leech, John Hunt and Patrick Sawders for stealing timber the property of the Town

Commissioners

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Commissioners on the 6th day of August 1895
from a Yard on the Quay New Ros.
Rated unanimously.

Took last over map said Kelly took the map he was offer.

A Proposal was read from Patrick Murphy Ballyanne for two heaps of manure at 22/6 per heap.

The Inspector in reply stated that there would be two heaps of manure made up at the ~~two~~ end of the week.

Manure

Ordered — That Patrick Murphys proposal for two heaps of manure @ 22/6 per heap be accepted.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 28th August 1895.

1895 — August 28th

Wednesday 28th August — A meeting of the Town Commissioners acting as the New Ros Urban Sanitary Authority to be held this day at 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Public Health (Ireland) Act 1878

Mr Dowling was the only Member in attendance. At half past 8 Oclock he adjourned the Meeting to 7½ Oclock P.M. Thursday 29th August 1895.

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Wednesday—28th August— A weekly
Meeting of the Town Commissioners and
Street Committee to be held this day at
½ Oclock P.M. to transact business
pursuant to the Towns Improvement
(Ireland) Act 1854.

Mr Dowling was the Only Member in
attendance.

The Meeting was adjourned to Thursday
29th August 1895.

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August 29th

~~Wednesday~~ Thursday 29th August
An adjourned meeting of the Town
Commissioners acting as the new Rds Urban
Sanitary Authority held this day ~~after~~
at ½ Oclock P.M. to transact business
pursuant to the Public Health (Ireland)
Act 1878. Also— To arrange for meeting
Mr Dickinson respecting the manure Yard

Present— Messrs—

David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Patrick Hunt
Peter J Byrne
Matthew J. Finn
Patrick Kennedy
Edward Walsh
Peter Murphy
John Meehan

100 The Sanitary Weekly Bill amounted to £1.10.5

Sanitary Sub Officers Report— Learned

Dr Meehan with Sanitary Notices for the back Yards of Houses occupied by Robert & Anne Kent where a nuisance is Caused by pigs Kept in the back yards of their Houses in Robert Street occupied by them.

I visited the houses and back yards in Roberts Street and little Michael Street found the Yards Cleaned, manure removed except in the yards occupied by the Kents where pigs are Kept in the Yards. Nineteen Yards visited.

Mr Boyd is getting the privies and Ashpits built in the back yards of houses in Lady Lane belonging to Mr Tottenham, this week.

I visited the House and yard occupied by James Harney of Mary street. The pigs have been removed from the yard, the manure Cleaned up but not removed from the yard. The back room has been Cleaned up and Limewashing has been done in the house. Harney promised to have the manure taken away on this week. He is preparing a house for the pony.

A break down occurred in the Main Sewer above the Railway in Rosbercon. Stook Curran and Scanlon over and opened nine Yards. The flags used in Covering were too short and broken. I had to bring flags over for Covering, and it will have to be opened down below, as it is Closed and and stopped at the present time.

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The following was read.

Fair Gate New Ross August 28th 1895

Gentlemen,

I beg to draw your attention regarding the manure that was raised from the drain in my yard. I had the most of it raised out of it myself when your men came and cleaned the rest of it, and then came and they are taking it away. I think it very unfair of your body to take it after my trouble Cleaning it up. I was surprised at the Street Inspector to send the men to Clean it the very day that I had a Child Waking. I think they were waiting for the opportunity. It was kept Clean up to that week. I also draw the Committees attention that it is impossible to Keep three of the shores Clean When heavy rains Come they are so low.

Yours truly

James Stacey

The Sanitary Sub Officer was Called before the Meeting and in reply, denied the Correctness of Statements made in Staceys letter - that he had frequently Called on Stacey to Clean the drain, as he had engaged to do on the last occasion the subject of Cleaning this drain was before the

meeting.

Ordered - That the manure at present in the Yard be given to J. Stacey, he to get it removed from the side of the Sewer and remove it from the place in a fortnight.

The following was read.

36 South Frederick Street Dublin
August 27th 1895.

Vigors Estate.

Dear Sir

Referring to yours of the 22nd Inst. Conveying an Offer from Your Commissioners of £10. per annum for vacant store on the Quay

I hope to inspect same on Monday next after which I shall be in a position to let you have a definite answer.

Yours Faithfully
Charles Deckinson

John Tobin Esq.

Ordered - That the Chairman, Mr Murphy, Mr Hinson, Mr Byrne, Mr P. Murphy and Mr Dowling be appointed a Committee to meet Mr Deckinson on Monday next to ascertain the lowest rent he will let the manure Yard on the Quay for, and ascertain if he will give a lease of it.

Executive Sanitary Officers Report
Monday 19th August 1895.

Dr Stafford, Medical Inspector from the

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the Local Government Board Called to the Office this day, and also Dr Hickey Medical Superintendent Officer of Health.

Dr Stafford enquired as to the steps that had been taken respecting the Sanitary state of the Town since his last visit.

He stated that the Local Government Board earnestly desired to urge on the urban Sanitary Authority the great importance of having the proposed new Water Supply scheme Carried out as soon as possible, as it would be one of the most important steps that could be taken to preserve the health of the Inhabitants. That all the great Authorities in Medical Science who have given Considerable attention to the subject, advocate in favour of having the Water Supply of Towns obtained from a source outside the Towns, and properly filtered and Carefully distributed instead of having the supply taken from within the Towns, where it is almost universally known that the bad matter from the dwellings is Carried, more or less, to the wells by percolation, after rains and by other means.

On being informed that an opposition had been got up in Town in January and February last against the proposed scheme

for the Outside supply, on the grounds that it would be the Cause of heavy taxation for a long time, perhaps for ever. That the subject of the new water supply had been discussed at different Meetings of the Sanitary Authority up to the 25th June this year when it was agreed that the Consideration of the subject be adjourned until the 16th September next, in order to see the supply the Maudlin Stream would be likely to Continue to give during the Summer.

Dr Stafford stated there need be no apprehension as to the excessive expense or deficiency in the supply, as before a Scheme would be finally adopted, the Local Government Board would send down their Engineer, Mr Cotton & hold a Sworn enquiry, and before whom no guess statements would be taken, for he was Skilled, experienced, and one of the best authorities on the subject.

If the Scheme submitted to him was found to be a reasonably good one, he he would report in favour of it. If it was not efficient, and reasonable in Cost- he would report against it. There were other Consulting Engineers of high standing who could be also Consulted men who would not lessen their high repute by giving a Careless inspection and report. The highest Medical Authorities are in favour of such a project, and the highest Engineering

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Engineering skill could be obtained as to its reasonable Cost and practicability that in almost all Communities where there is intelligence on the Water supply question they have already got or are about trying to get a filtered water supply from an outside source.

John Robin
Executive Sanitary Officer

Ordered — That the report of the observations of Dr Stafford Medical Inspector under the Local Government Board, be produced at the meeting of the Urban Sanitary Authority to be held on the 16th September instant to Consider the question of the New Scheme for supplying the Water Supply of the Town with Water.

Purchasers to remove manure

Ordered — That the persons who have purchased manure from the Commissioners be written to asking them to take away the manure, or the Condition on which the manure has been purchased

The following was read.

Marsh Lane Nr Rop. August 28th 1895.

The Chairman of the Town Commissioners (Ripon)

Sir,

As the Borough Rate Collector has been here twice recently, & sane further trouble I beg to inform the Town Commissioners, that as

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I Cansider that I have got no equivelent at-all this year for the Borough Rate. I will not pay it. Instead of having the street and the premi_ all around Kept Clean and in a Sanitary State. All the dirt of the town has been brought to my door. The sewer, to the bad state of which I directed the attention of the Commissioners by letter early in last April, was left in that state and neglected for nearly three months, and during the hot weather, and the Consequence of that neglect has not only injury to health but fatality to life. On fair days pigs and Cattle are allowed to lie in this neighbourhood for hours, blocking the way and Creating a a most offensive stench, and in the dry weather the watering Cart Was hardly ever used here nor has any effort made to Keep down the poisonous dust blown around in all directions from the Commissioners; so I do not see what value I have got for borough rate.

If proceedings be taken to Compel me to pay the borough Rate, I will let the public Know Why I do not Cansider myself bound to pay it.

Yours truly
Mary Hickey

Ordered — That the foregoing letter from Miss Hickey be marked "read."

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 4th September 1895.

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Thursday 29th August — ~~Minutes Confirmed~~

A Weekly Meeting of the Town. Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7 o Aclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Present — Mess —

David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Patrick Hunt
Peter J Byrne
Matthew J Finn
Patrick Kennedy
Edward Walsh
Peter Murphy
John Meehan

101 The Weekly Bill amounted to — £6.1.6

The following was read

North Street, New Ros. 29th August 1895

Sir,

I beg to make application for the use of the large Room in Hotel for the New Ros Dramatic Club on the same Conditions and at the same rent which you Kindly let it to me on last year. I shall require the use of it until the first of March.

Yours Respectfully
M. Roche, Hon. Sec.

Ordered — That M Roche's proposal for the large Room be accepted on the same Conditions as it was let to him last year That the terms on which the Room was let

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Large Room.

1892—

Sept 1 Ordered — That the Large Room, Thalia be let to Geo. Armstrong @ 2/- per week he to provide the light require; that the "Boat Club" "~~Boyd~~ Bycicle Club", "Athletic Sports Committee", or other body permitted by the Commissioners, be allowed to hold their Meetings in the Room during Mr Armstrongs Tenancy

1893

July 27th An exactly Similar terms as let on the 1st Sept 1892 — Viz — That the large room in the Thalia be let to G. Armstrong @ 2/- per week he to provide the light required during the use of room by the ~~Lycth~~ Club at night. That the "Boat Club" Bicycle Club Sports Committee or any other body permitted by the Com'rs be allowed to hold their Meetings in large Room during Mr Armstrongs Tenancy.

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1894
November 8th

Ord That the use of the large Room
be let to M Roche on the same Conditions
it was let to G Armstrong for the use
of the Dramatic Club but that the rent be
reduced to 1/6 per week the Club to find
their own light

⊕ Conditions – The Rent to be 1/6 per week M. Roche to provide the light required in the room by his Club. Also that as in preceding years the "Boat Club" Athletic Sports Committee "Bicycle Clubs" Section or any body permitted by the Town Commissioners be allowed to hold their meetings in the Room during Mr Roche's Tenancy

let last year be produced at next meeting ⊕

A Communication was read from John Somers Hon. Sec. New Rop Cycling Club asking the use of the large Room in the Thalsel to hold a Committee meeting on any night until after next Wednesday. When the Dramatic Club will enter into Tenancy.

The following was read.

County Surveyor's Office Wexford August 22nd 1895

Dear Sir,

Yours of the 17th Inst. regarding the dangerous Condition of the Streets of New Rop has been duly received and is receiving my attention

I remain Yours truly

Henry Webster

County Surveyor

The following was read

Fair Gate New Rop 28th August 1895.

Gentlemen

I beg to state that the high Wall at the East side of the Yard of My house, which I entered into possession of on Saturday last is in a very dangerous Condition.

The foundation of part of it is removed or eaten away and part of it is only resting on Clay for about a foot high.

The part of the Wall at the Ash pit where I intend to erect ~~a~~ a privy is loose and projecting nearly eighteen inches more than the ~~part~~ lowest part of it.

I respectfully ask you to get the wall

inspected

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inspected by a Competent ~~person~~ man and the necessary work done to prevent it from falling.

The stench trap placed in the yard sometime ago is broken and the drainage prevented from flowing away.

Hoping you will Kindly give the matter your attention.

I remain Gentlemen
Respectfully Yours
Thomas Butler.

Ordered — That the Committee inspect and report their opinions respecting the walls of the yard of T Butlers house with the view of preventing them from being dangerous to life.

The following was read.

Town Commissioners' Office Galway
August 23rd 1895.

Sir

I am directed by the Galway Town Commissioners to transmit to you the accompanying Copy of a Resolution unanimously passed by them at their Meeting held Thursday August 22nd 1895 and to request that you will Kindly bring same under the notice of your Board, with a view to having it adopted.

I am, Sir, Your obedient servant
J. Redington
Secretary.

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Copy of Resolution.

Proposed by Wm M. A. Lynch L.P.
Seconded by Wm Nelson Palmer L.P. and
Resolved –

"That no legislation on the Land question
can be Considered Satisfactory, unless the
large grazing farms throughout Ireland be
broken up and divided between the poor
tenants in the Congested Districts, thereby
undoing the evil work of bygone days,
When the predecessors of these tenants
were mercilessly driven into bogs and
barren rocky soil of the West and North
Coast of Ireland; and that We request
that Mr G. Balfour will, when introducing
his promised Land Bill in the next Session
of Parliament devise some means to
remedy this long- standing evil."

No Order made.

Clerks Report – Mr A Cullen will sell
the paving stones in the Market House for
about 1/- per load.

That it is time to advertise for a
Contract for the Public lighting of the Town

Ordered – That Advertisements be issued
inviting proposals for lighting the Town
With Gas or Oil. from the 15th September
1895 to the 15th April 1896.

Fish dealers

Street Inspectors Report – I have
to State that James Harney of Main Street
a fish dealer had his Carload of fish
in

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23rd August) in Quay street and I told him to take his Car down to the Quay. He did not do so only took his Car over to Fugents shop door and stopped there for hours.

Also John Walsh, Bullaun a fish dealer had his horse and load of fish in Quay street and I told him to take his Car down to the Quay. He did not do so only went over to Luke Connors shop door in South street and stopped for a long time. I took down their names to be summoned

Pipes for Roberson Cah Pump. 24th Aug) Two lengths of pipes for the Roberson metal pump Came by steamer this day

Barrack Lane 29th Aug.) The Channel in Barrack Lane from the Shambles Gate, for nineteen yards on the west side is higher than the lane at the present time and the Water is going out on ~~over~~ the lane. It requires to be taken up and replaced and some filling put on the lane to Keep the Water in the Channel so as not to Cause nuisance.

Shambles Fountain 24th Aug) I would recommend that ~~I would~~ a pipe be put in the fountain at the Shambles and a drain opened to the main sewer in the street and a small grate at the Fountain to take down the Water not to have it going over the foot path Causing a nuisance

The Fish house, inside and outside

requir

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require limewashing. The roof requires some repairs as some slates are removed

Ordered – That the Fishouse be limewashed and the roof repaired

Ordered – That the Clerk send Mr T Byrne Copy of the Street Inspector's report respecting Banack lane.

Ordered – That the pipe be fixed to the Fountain at the Shambles. That a grating be fixed under the Fountain and a drain made from the Fountain to the Water Channel passing down the street.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 4th. September 1895.

1895 – Monday 2nd September Quarterly Meeting of Commissioners. No attendance. The Secretary was appointed to Wednesday 4th September 1895.

1895 – September 4th Wednesday 4th September – A meeting of the Town Commissioners, acting as the Sanitary Urban Sanitary Authority held this day at 1/2 Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Public Health (Ireland) Act 1878.

Members present – Messrs –

David Murphy Chairman, in the Chair

Henry G. Hinson

Matthew Hutchinson

Peter Murphy

William Murphy

Patrick Hunt

James Dowling

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102 The Sanitary Weekly Bill amounted to £2.1.1

Pigs in March Lane — S S Opr

Ordered — That the Sanitary Sub Officer take the names and address of persons found Keeping pigs in March Lane before being put on board steamer, so long as to Cause obstruction to persons passing, or nuisance in the lane; that the persons found doing so be Summoned.

Flags for sewers

The Executive Sanitary Officer stated that D. Cody Called to the Office to know when the Sanitary Authority will be done with J. O'Shea at the quarry.

Flags for sewers

The Executive Sanitary Officer stated there was a bed of good flags in the quarry where O'Shea is as working. the flags were were likely to be much required; that there was no likelyhood of flags of as good a quality in any other part of the Town

It was agreed that O'Shea and man Continue to quarry the flags until otherwise Ordered

Flags for sewers O'Shea to Continue quarrying

Sanitary Sub Officer's Report — I visited Michael Phelan's premises in Robertson He has made the sanitary Improvements in

Phelan Roberson Complied with 1 Notice built Privy &c

back Yard of his house by removing the Ash pit and piggery to the lower end of the yard and has got a privy built in back yard.

built Privy &c

Mr Boyd has got the Ash pits and privys built in the back yards of houses in Lady Lane and all done only to remove the timber and boards and some bricks from the yards and that will be done in a few days.

Mr Boyd Complied with notice in Lady Lane

I have to state that the main sewer in Roberson is opened and cleaned up and Covered with flags from John Street quany down to Mr Dooleys yard Gate It was filled to the Covering flags down along and all the flags nearly broke down as far as we went.

Main Sewer Roberson

I visited the back yards of the Labourers dwellings with Michael Cahill in Church Lane, the Bowling Green and William Street. I found the stench traps Clean and I told them I would have to Call on them every fortnight and report on the Condition of the traps &c There are new traps required for the yards of James Fitzharris, Thomas Butler, and Edward Donovan at Fair Gate. For James Canoll of Bowling Green and for the Yard of Owen Kavanagh in William Street. The traps named are broken. (29 houses traps & inspection)

back yards

Ordered — That the Traps mentioned in the Sanitary Sub Officers report be procured for the yard of E Donovan J. Fitzharris and T. Butler Fair Gate — J. Canoll Bowling Green, and Owen Kavanagh

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Traps if broken the replaced by Tenants

Kavanagh William Street — That if the Traps be broken they must be replaced by the tenants who break them, and if not that they be removed from their Tenancy.

J. Stacey asking to be allowed to Clean the drain

A Communication was read from J. Stacey Fair Gate saying I beg to draw your attention regarding the manure and would be thankful to your body if you would let me know if I took the manure from the bank and put it in another part of the yard, would that do. I also want to know am I to keep the drain clean as usual as I was informed I had no Call to Clean it any more

J. Stacey to get the manure removed in a fortnight

It was agreed that J. Stacey get the manure removed within the fortnight given him last week. That the Commissioners' men keep the drain Clean in future.

Cond. Men to keep the drain Clean

The Executive Sanitary Officer States that I. W. Deane, Long Graigue Called to the Office and States that the drain in Constable Jones Yard next to French's Court was

J. W. Deane Called to the Office about the notice respecting French's Court

obstructed, and not on his property in French's Court. That he had been informed that the late Sanitary Sub-Officer Smith had made the drain through Constable Jones' Yard. That he (W. Deane)

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had not made the drain; that he did not Consider himself bound to keep it clear. That he (Ex. S. Officer) had informed Mr Deane that the person on whose property the matter Came from, that obstructed the drain in another persons premises was bound to keep the matter on his own premises or Cause a drain to be made to the next public sewer, to convey the nuisance from his own premises as was plainly pointed out by the 25th Section of the Public Health Act which he (Executive S. Officer) Shewed to Mr Deane.

Sanitary Committee to inspect

Ordered— That the Sanitary Committee be summoned to meet to inspect the premises where the nuisance exists at Canst. Jones Yard near the Hill School and report the Cause of it and also their opinion as to Who is to abate the nuisance.

~~The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 11th September 1895.~~

Medical Superintendent Officer of Health

No 12

Omission — Medical Superintendents Report for July — During the Month of July one Case of Typhoid Fever appeared within the Urban Sanitary District of Newbridge. Otherwise the health of the District was good. The Leverage of the District would be much benefitted by having a larger supply of Water for flushing purposes, than exists at present. (Signd) Garret A. Hickey Medical Superintendent Officer of Health.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 18th September 1895.

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1895 — Wednesday 4th September — A Weekly,
Sept 4th — and Adjourned Monthly Meeting of the
Town Commissioners and of the Street
Committee. held this day after 7½
O'clock P.M. to transact business pursu-
— ant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland)
Act 1854. Members present Mssrs —

David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Henry G. Kinsella
Matthew Hutchinson
Peter Murphy
William Murphy
Patrick Hunt
James Dowling

Cheques were issued for the following amounts

103 Weekly Bill — £5. 9. 11
104 New Ross Gas Company amt of a/c for 3 months
" ended 31st December 1894 — 63. 18. 6
105 Moran Brothers amount of a/c for Printing
Books and Stationary from 25th May
1892 to 24th August 1895 as per Pass Book 37. 0. 7

In reference to the Street Inspectors Report
at previous meeting respecting Violation of the
Market Bye Laws —
Ordered — That James Harney, Mary Street Fish
dealer and John Walsh Bullawn, Fish dealer
be Summoned by the Street Inspector
for not obeying the Street Inspector in
selling their Fish at the place prescribed
by

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by the Market Bye Laws.

Mr Hinsan animadverted on the form in which the Resolution requiring the attendance of the Town Commissioners at meetings had been sent out by the Clerk. He objected to having the names of the proposer and seconder of the Resolution at the head of the Resolution in the Circulars sent to the Commissioners as the Resolution had been passed unanimously.

The Clerk stated that he had followed the usage always in use in the office, and in similar Offices, and produced the last Copy of a Resolution received from a Town Commission — Galway — in which the proposer and Seconder were inserted in the same manner, as in the Circulars sent to the new Rep Town Commissioners.

Copies of Resolutions passed at meetings not to have proposer and seconders names given

It was agreed that in sending out a Resolution in future, the Clerk omit the Names of the Prd proser & Seconder.

The following was Read

Proposal from Gas Company

New Rep Gas Company 3rd September 1895

To the New Rep Town Commissioners

Gentlemen,

I propose on behalf of the new Rep Gas Company, limited to light your public Lamps for Seven Months, from the 15th September 1895 to the 15th April 1896 (same five nights each Month, that

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that is two nights before, two nights after and the night of the full moon)
at £2-15-0 per lamp for fourteen lamps lighting all night and £1.15.0 per lamp for 44 lamps extinguished at 11 Oclock P.M.

The lamp at the Gholach to be charged at the rate of £5- per annum

I propose to use a four feet per hour burner Lample of which I send you.

The Lamps to be supplied by the Gas Company and Kept in repair as heretofore

I am Gentlemen
Your obedient Servant
David Hunt
Secretary

Ordered— That the proposal from the New Ross Gas Company for lighting the Public Lamps from the 15th September 1895— to the 15th April 1896 be accepted.

The following was also read.

New Ross Gas Company, Limited.
3rd September 1895.

Gentlemen,

I propose on behalf of the New Ross Gas Company, Limited, to light the Public Lamps for five months from the 15th April 1896 to the 15th September 1896 at £1— per Lamps for 14 lamps lighting all night.

I am— Gentlemen
your obedient Servant
David Hunt

ordered

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Ordered – That the proposal from the New Ross Gas Company for lighting the public lamps from the 15th April 1896 to the 15th September 1896 be accepted.

The following was read from William Carty Mason. New Ross Sept. 4th 1896.

The Chairman and Gentlemen New Ross Town Commissioners,

I propose to do the repairs on the back Yard walls of Thomas Butlers house at Fair Gate – To take down and rebuild fifteen feet high by 6 feet wide of the Yard wall between Mr Galavans and himself To pin up fifteen feet long by one foot high of the foundation of the same wall with Cement and Sand. and to pin over Ashpit one hole in James Staceys shed and to some small holes in pig stye. To find all materials and attendance and doing the workmanship for the sum of £2.15.0

Ordered – That the matter be referred to the Committee, to inspect the house and Yard and direct as to how the work is to be Completed.

A Communication was read from John Somers Hon. Sec. New Ross Cycling Club – saying – I am directed by the Committe of above Club to apply to you for the use of a room in the Tholsel to hold Committee meetings.

Agreed – That the

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~~The~~ Applicant Mr Somers be asked to state the date on which his Club would require ~~the~~ room.

A Communication was read from Martin Delaney — Saying Gentlemen — Will you Kindly let me have ~~the use~~ three or four loads of paving stones the price of which I will leave to yourselves to decide on

Agreed that M Delaney get 4 loads of paving stones @ 2/- per load.

Trinity Hospital
Mary Anne Brien

A Recommendation in favour of having Mrs Mary Anne Brien, an old inhabitant of new Ross as a fit and proper person to be recommended by the Town Commissioners to the Governors of Trinity Hospital to be nominated for admission to that Institution. The Recommendation was signed by the Very Rev Canon Kavanagh and the Rev Francis Le Hunt and other Clergymen and Col Carr and Dr Cherry Surgeon General.

Ordered — That the Application be placed with the others already received, and produced at a Meeting of the Commissioners when a Notice of appointment is received from the Governors of Trinity Hospital.

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September 11th Town Commissioners acting as the
— 3c — New Rop Urban Sanitary Authority held
this day at 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact busines
pursuant to the Public Health (Ireland) Act
1878. Present — Mesrs —

David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Henry G. Kinson
Peter L Byrne
Matthew I Finn
Matthew Hutchinson

106 Weekly Bill amounted to — £1.5.3

In reference to the order passed at previous
meeting that ~~Exce~~ the Sanitary Committee
be summoned to inspect French Court and
Jones' Yard at Barrack Lane, the Executive
Sanitary Officer stated that Mr Deane had
men working at the Clearing of the place
on Thursday and Friday, and that he had
delayed issuing the notices until the place
would be somewhat Cleared. — that Saturday
Market day Monday pig Fair and Tuesday.
Main Fair day — the Members were not likely
to attend on these days.

The Executive Sanitary Officer was told
he ought to have issued the notices to the
Committee.

Mr Hinson stated there was very offensive
~~offensive~~ matter at the upper end of
Brennan's Lane where matter from the
slaughter house of Mr Murray emitted a
very

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very bad effluvium

The Sanitary Sub Officer was Called before the meeting and in reply stated that he had been the place recently and it had been Cleaned

Ordered – That the Sanitary Sub Officer inspect Brennan's Lane every second day and report on the state of it.

In reference to French's Court in Banack Lane it was agreed that Mr Hunson and the Chairman inspect French's Court and Court Jone's Yard at 12 Oclock on Thursday 12th Instant.

Ordered – That the sluice for the outlet of the Marsh Lane sewer be Completed forthwith

Ordered – That the Executive Sanitary Officer write to Mr Dickinson asking a reply to the application for the Tenancy of the Manure Yard on the Quay.

The following was read

Sanitary Record Office 5 Fetter Lane
Fleet Street. London.

Dear Sir,

A member of our staff has been

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Commissioned to write a Comprehensive article on street paving and paving materials. May I ask you to kindly help us in making the proposed article as Complete as possible by answering the few questions annexed and returning this Circular to me at the above address as early as possible?

Thanking you in anticipation

Believe me
Yours Faithfully
Editor "Sanitary
Record".

Ordered – That the Executive Sanitary Officer fill the form and return same as requested.

Ordered – That the date for holding the Special Meeting respecting the Water Supply be Changed from Monday 16th September to Tuesday 17th Inst. same month that the Members be informed of the Change by being duly noticed.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 18th September 1895.

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Wednesday 11th September A meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after ½ a clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Members present — Mess^rs —

David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Henry G. Hinson
Peter I Byrne
Matthew I Finn
Matthew Hutchinson

167 Shilmerly Bill amounted to — £7.7.9

Ordered — That the Clerk write to James Fitzsimon and Son stating that the Tumbling Cart and Sweeping Machine had been used only a few times and also asking them what they would be willing to give for the two

The following was read.

Town Hall Carlow 5th September 1895

Dear Sir

I am directed by the Town Commissioners to request the Co-operation of Your Board in objecting to the following Clauses of the proposed Bye Laws of the Grand Canal Company Viz 6, 30, 37, 38, 39, X 46.

Yours faithfully
James Kelly
Town Clerk

The Town Clerk
New Ross.

Ordered — That the Clerk write to the Town Clerk ~~Waterford~~ Carlow asking him for a Copy of the Bye Laws referred to, or to say where or how they can be obtained.

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Proposed by Mr Hinson
Seconded by Mr Byrne

That a Written Statement of the Money to our Credit in Bank, and the amount of Rates uncollected be laid on the table by the Clerk at the Sitting of each Commissioners Meeting.

Passed unanimously

Ordered – That the Commissioners be noticed to attend next meeting to Consider the Cleaning papering and Painting to be done in the Town Commissioners Office &c

Men to be Kept in Comm^rs employment

Ordered – That When the present pressing work in hands of the Commissioners men is finished that the following are the Men to be Kept on in the Commissioners employment – John Welsh, Michael Curran, Michael Cahill and William Scanlan, until otherwise Ordered.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 18th September 1895.

1895 — September 12th

Thursday 12th September – At 12 oclock this day The Chairman and Mr Hinson inspected French's Court and Court Jones Yard at Barrack Lane. Also the upper end of Brennan's Lane and found the places in a very Unsanitary Condition.

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September 16th

Monday 16th ~~September~~ — Mr Hinson and the Chairman inspected Jones Yard this day at 12 Oclock. The found the drain leading from French's Court ~~opened as dore~~ through Court. Jones' Yard opened as directed by the Commissioners' men. It had been filled with very offensive matter that came from French's Court and filled the drain in Constable Jones' Yard.

After Careful examination of all the Circumstances Connected with the places the Chairman and Mr ~~Hinson~~ Hinson agreed to direct the Executive Sanitary Officer to Write to Mr Deane Longraige the owner of French's Court requesting him or some one On his behalf to attend on his property at Barrack Lane at one Oclock on Wednesday 18th September to see the Condition of the Sewer in French's Court which had been the Cause of danger to health in that locality. That in Order to obviate the nuisance they suggested that a drain be made from French's Court through the back Yards of Mr Deanes other houses and then into the main Sewer in Barrack Lane.

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1895 — September 17th

Tuesday 17th September — A Meeting of the Town Commissioners acting as the New Rop Urban Sanitary Authority to be held this day at ½ oclock to fully Consider the proposed new water Scheme.

No attendance of Members.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 18th September 1895.

1895 — September 18th

Wednesday 18th September — A meeting of the Town Commissioners acting as the New Rop Urban Sanitary Authority held this day at ½ oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Public Health (Ireland) Act 1878 & Also — To Consider fully on the proposed New water Scheme.

Present — Mess^rs —

David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Henry G. Kinsan
Peter J. Byrne
Peter Murphy
John Meehan
John Butler

108 The Sanitary Weekly Bill amounts to £0.16.0

A Conversation took place respecting proceedings at previous meetings.

The Sanitary Sub Officer was Called before the meeting and questioned respecting the state of the upper part of Brennan's Lane, as he had stated at previous Meeting that

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that he had seen the place a short time before the meeting and saw no nuisance there.

The Chairman and Mr ~~Humphry~~ Hinson stated they had seen the place next day and found ~~it~~ a very bad smell in it and saw very ~~unsightly~~ matter there.

The Sanitary Sub Officer was directed to get the rubbish, broken bottles &c removed from the passage leading behind the Yards of houses occupied by Messrs — Kennedy, Cooney, Connolly, Walsh, Walsh, Meehan and Armstrong, and Caution the Occupants not to deposit broken bottles, rubbish &c in that passage.

The Executive Sanitary Officer was directed to write to the Chapel Committee requesting them to build a Wall, with a gateway or door across the upper part of Brennans Lane, to prevent the accumulation of nuisance there.

Mr Deane at Barrack Lane

The Executive Sanitary Officer reported that he had sent M. Cahill up to Constable Jones' Yard at Barrack Lane before one o'clock this day (Wednesday) to wait until Mr Deane would come to see the place. Mr Deane

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Came to Barrack Lane and as soon as Cahill heard Mr Deane was in Barrack Lane he went out into the lane and saw Mr Deane at the lower end of the lane but lost sight of him when he turned into Mary Street. He (Ex. S. Officer) saw Mr Deane at Charles street near three Oclock and asked him to come up to Jones' Yard but he declined to do so, as he said he was in a hurry. That he explained to Mr Deane that a man had been at Jones' Yard to await Mr Deane's visit but that he had missed seeing him. Mr Deane said he remained a quarter of an hour at Barrack Lane and would not go there again.

Ordered – That the Sanitary Sub Officer inspect Court Jones Yard and the Yards of the houses belonging to Mr Mr Deane at and below French's Court and serve notice on the Medical Officer of Health with the view that he will inspect and report on the neighbourhood and give his opinions as to the best means of placing the neighbourhood in a Sanitary Condition.

The following were read:

No 41,463; 1895.
New Rds (Town).

Local Government Board
Dublin, 10th September 1895.

Sir,

The Local Government Board for Ireland

Lane

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have received the report of their Medical Inspector Dr Stafford, relating to the Sanitary Condition of the newRop urban Sanitary District, extracts from which are enclosed and the Board trusts that the matters therein referred to will receive the attention of the Sanitary Authority.

A further extract from Dr Stafford's report respecting the manner in which the Executive Sanitary Officer discharges his duties is also forwarded herewith, and the Board request that the Executive Sanitary Officer may be called upon for a Written explanation as to his neglect of duty, and that the Explanation When received may be forwarded to this department for the information of the Local Government Board

I am
Sir
Your obedient Servant
D. I. Mac Sheahan
Assistant Secretary.

To the Chairman
NewRop Town Commissioners

NewRop.

No 41, 463; 1895.

NewRop (Town)

Extracts from Medical Inspector's (Dr Staford) Report, dated 19th August 1895.

I have more than once drawn attention to the necessity for the Sanitary Authority insisting upon privies and Ash pits being provided for the houses of the poor—

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Section 45 of the Public Health Act is mandatory upon the Sanitary Authority.

The question of supplying the Town with a pure and abundant Water Supply has now a Considerable period under discussion. It would be well if the Sanitary Authority proceeded without further delay to procure ~~de~~ such a supply.

I have frequently spoken to the Executive Sanitary Officer about the Manner in which he ~~has~~ Keeps his Sanitary Records. He Keeps no Sanitary Record Book although ~~although~~ he has repeatedly promised to do so; he does not send a Copy of the Minutes of proceedings of the Sanitary Authority to the Local Government Board regularly.

Ordered – That the Executive Sanitary Officer Continue to enter the Sanitary Cases in the "Sanitary Record and Report Book" that Dr Stafford suggested be procured and and Kept entered up; that he send the Minutes regularly as required.

Also, that the Executive Sanitary Officer send in a written explanation as to his neglect of duty to be sent to the Local Government Board for their information.

The following was read.

30 South Frederic Street Dublin, Sept. 16th 1895.

Dear Sir,

As I am in treaty with other parties for

Section – Ordered that Dr Stafford report respecting the water supply be produced at next meeting for considering the proposed New Water Scheme

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for the letting of Stores Yard and Office in one take. I Cannot entertain any proposal for the taking of the Yard by itself. If Your Commissioners are prepared to fine £35. per Year for above premises Refered to, either as by the Year or for a term of six years I shall be happy to Submit the proposal to the Court on Thursday next the 19th Inst.

John Robin
New Rop.

Yours faithfully
Charles Dickinson
An Order made.

Mr Deane Sanitary Sub Officers Report — I have to State that Mr Deane Longraigue have got the drain in French's Court, in Barrack Lane opened and and Covered up to the wall of the Hill school at Jones's back Yard. The water is going through the Wall. Mr Deane did not get the drain in Jones's Yard opened. It is stopped up and wants to be cleared up to allow the Water to pass from the Yard.

I visited the back Yards of Houses at the East side of Bewley Street and I found Clean except the back Yards of houses occupied by Patrick Browne and Nicholas Travers. Manure in their Yards with Stops. They promised to have the Manure removed

on

on Monday or Tuesday next.

100 of yards visited — Twenty five.

John Keough got the two lengths of pipes put down in the Rosbercon pump and I got the surface flagged and paved this day.

I served Dr Meehan with Sanitary Notice for the back yard of house.

The Fish house and privy have been limewashed inside and outside and the roof repaired by Cunan a Commissioners Man this week.

James Stacey Fair Gate has not got the manure removed from the Yard Occupied by him from the Commissioners as yet as promised by him.

The Meeting was adjourned to ~~Wednesday~~ 25th September 1895.

1895 — September 18th

Wednesday 18th September — A Weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 1/2 a clock P.M. & transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. ⊕

Members present — Messrs —

David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Henry G. Kinsan
Peter J Byrne
Peter Murphy
John Meehan
John Butler.

⊕ Also — For considering steps to be taken respecting the Cleansing papering and painting to be done in the Commissioners Office &c

Sanitation — Letter a Short discussion on the proposed Water Scheme it was agreed to adjourn the consideration of the subject to Wednesday 25th Sept. 1895 at a clock P.M. Chairman

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Cheques were issued for the following amounts

109 Weekly Bill ——— £8.16.6
110 James Connolly, for amt of a/c rendered.
for Repairs of houses &c —— 3.14.8

Painting &c Courts Office Thanked

On the Motion of Mr Hinton the following was agreed to —

That Advertisements be issued for Tenders, for painting, papering, Cleaning up, Whitening Ceilings of Commissioners Office — the painting to be bright pale drab, panels with darker styles, and Varnished with pure Copal Varnish — Two Coats.

Also for Cleaning and painting the small room next to Commissioner's Office, same Colour

Also for repairing, Whitening Ceilings of Staircase — painting and repairing same and passages to front door, and painting outer door Oak Colour, and two Coats of best Copal Varnish.

Also Colouring Walls of Stair Case and passages — Hacking off Mortar of Stair Case Wall eight feet in height and plastering same with Cement plaster. Also repairing Walls of the same.

Also putting up door with patent shut and hinges with lock and

Spring

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Spring latch and painting the same as the Commissioners Office

Archway at foot of Stair Case & Frame a Glass fan light over same

Day to be named for Completion of Contract.

Commissioners not obliged to Select any tender.

The following was read.

Town Hall Carlow 14th Sept 1895.

Dear Sir

In reply to your favour of 12th Inst. If you apply to Mr James Kirkland Secretary Grand Canal Coy. Dublin he will I am sure, Send you Copy of the proposed Bye Laws.

I have only one Copy which is in use here.

Yours faithfully

James Kelly

Town Clerk

John Robin Esqr

Town Clerk

New Ross.

The Clerk stated that on receipt of the letter read, he wrote to the Secretary of the Canal Company for a Copy of the Bye Laws.

The following was read.

Dublin. Sept 14th 1895. 15 Bridgefoot St.

John Robin, Town Commissioners Office New Ross.

Dear Sir,

We are Continually asked about Sweeping machines &c by Country Road Contractors, and think if you advertise - say in the "General Advertiser" "Irish Times" and

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and local papers You will sell them far better than We Could here, this month and October being just before Winter Will be a very good time to do so.

We shall also speak to our friends on the Matter. What reason Will We give? Is it streets too steep.

Yours truly

James Fitzsimon & Son

Ordered — That the Clerk inform Messrs Fitzsimons & Son, that it is not on account of steep streets, the Commissioners are about to sell the Wagons and Sweeping Machine, but that the Commissioners had lost the Contracts of the streets which they held under the County Wexford Grand Jury, and that the present Contractor Must Keep the Streets free from Mud; that the Commissioners thought the Wagon and Machine would deteriorate more by being left unused than if they were in Ordinary use.

Ordered — That the Clerk write to the Town Clerks of Waterford, Kilkenny Cork, Dungarvan and Carlow, giving particulars, and stating that the Town Commissioners, having lost the Street Contracts, are Willing to sell

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the mud Tumbling Cart and the sweeping machine as the present Contractor is bound to Clear the mud from the Streets.

~~The Meeting~~ Inspectors Report — A boat load of Sand has been delivered for the Town Commissioners by Patrick Render.

I Called the attention of Thomas Byrne County Surveyors Assistant ~~to the Crossings~~ to ~~at~~ St Thomas' Reading Room, and the Corner of South Street at the Thatch, and Quay Street and on the Quay, at the lower end of Quay Street for work that requires to be done.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 25th September 1895.

1895 — September 19th. Thursday 19th September — An adjourned Meeting of the Town Commissioners acting as the New Ros Urban Sanitary Authority held this day at 7½ Oclock P.M. pursuant to the Public Health (Ireland) Act 1878 — "To Consider fully on the proposed New Ros Water Supply". Present —

Water Supply of the Town

David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Henry G. Kinsella
Matthew J Finn
Peter J. Byrne
John Meehan
Peter Murphy
John Butler

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After a long Conversation on the proposed Water supply &c in which the subject was discussed in parts. It was unanimously agreed on —

That a further supply of good water is required for the Town

Water Question adjourned for three weeks

On the motion of M^r Finn it was agreed to adjourn the Consideration of the subject for three weeks.

The Meeting was adjourned to Thursday 10th October 1895.

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Sept 25th

Wednesday 25th September A meeting of the Town Commissioners acting as the New Rep Urban Sanitary Authority held this day after 7 o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Public Health (Ireland) Act 1878 &c Members present — Mayor Henry G. Hinson, in the Chair.

Matthew Hutchinson
Matthew Finn
James Dowling
Patrick Hunt

111 The Weekly Bill amounted to £0-12-6

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The Executive Sanitary Officer reported that The Very Rev Canon Kavanagh called to the Office in reference to the Communication sent to the Chapel Committee requesting that a wall be built across the upper end of Brennan's Lane to prevent nuisance there.

Dr Kavanagh stated that the Chapel Committee would do all in their power to Comply with the wishes of the Sanitary Authority. He (Canon Kavanagh) thought there was some difficulty in the way of building the wall with a Gate across the lane as there appeared to be an old Public right of way to the well at the upper end of the lane. If a Gate was placed there it might not prevent persons entering unless there was a lock with Keys given to the persons Claiming a right of way to the well.

The Chairman directed that Dr Kavanagh be replied to stating that a wall with a Gate or door fixed and Keys Given to the persons who reside near the place to enable them to go to the well.

On the Chairman reading Mr Dickinsons letter respecting the manure yard, the Executive Sanitary Officer stated that Mr Vicars had Called to the Office and said Mr Dickinsons Clerk had been down looking at the manure yard

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yard on the Quay, and having seen it occupied reported to Mr Dickinson who wrote to Mr Boyd asking about rent paid by the persons occupying the yard. Mr Vicars requested that the yard be cleared as soon as possible

The Sanitary Sub Officer was Called before the meeting.

The Chairman directed the Sanitary Sub Officer to have the North side of the yard Cleared, and as there was only sweepings of the Streets to be put there in future that the manure heaps be formed so that they would be out of the view of the people living in the houses opposite the yard.

Sanitary Report

Sanitary Notice to Deane

No 713 I hereby report to you that my attention has been Called to houses in Barrack Lane occupied by Patrick Linch, James Murphy Johana Morissy Michael Scanlan, John Kavanagh and Bridget Walsh, That I inspected them on the 19th Inst. and found them deficient in Sanitary accommodation, and I recommend that privies and Ash pits be provided in the back yards of those houses, and that the Sewer leading from "French's Court" be Continued down through the back yards of those houses and Connected with

With the main Sewer of Barrack Lane
21st September 1895. N. J Mahon
Medical Officer of Health

P.S. I also recommend that the doors and windows of unoccupied houses in Barrack Lane be built up N. J. M.

Ordered – That Notice be served on William Francis ~~Devoy~~ Solicitor and Agent to Joseph W. Deane Langraigue requiring him to Comply with the recommendations Contained in the report from the Medical Officer of Health – That privies and Ash pits be erected in the yards of the houses occupied by Patrick Finch, James Murphy, Johana Morrissey Michael Scanlon, Jr Mc Ravenagh and Bridget Walsh in Barrack Lane, of which Mr Deane is the owner – That a drain be made from French's Court down through the back yards of the houses owned by Mr Deane, below French's Court and from the lowest Yard of the foremention houses into the Sewer in Barrack Lane, Stench traps to be fixed to the drain in each Yard so as to allow fluid to pass from each Yard ~~and~~ & prevent effluvium from the drains.

Ordered – That if Mr Deane do not Comply with the Sanitary Notice, that the Case be submitted to Mr Colfer to institute legal proceedings to Compel him to do so.

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The following was read.

Sanitary Notice

No 714 I hereby report to you that the surroundings of the Pump at Rosbercon near the Bridge) are in a very insanitary Condition There is an accumulation of filthy liquid matter allowed to remain there and I recommend my former suggestions to be Carried out. M. Walsh

25th September 1895. Medical Officer of Health

No I hereby report to you that a nuisance exists by reason of sewerage matter being allowed to flow down from the houses above the Chapel gate at Rosbercon out on the public street; and I recommend that a proper sewer be Constructed to take this matter into the main sewer in the street.

25th September 1895. M Walsh

Medical Officer of Health

Dr Walsh's former report June 13th 1894 was read — that the place be filled up and Concreted — Making a water Table to Carry Surplus Matter towards the River. I look upon the matter as deserving of Immediate attention.

It was agreed that the recommendation in Dr Walsh's report last Year be Carried out.

Ordered

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Ordered – That the Sanitary Committee be Summoned to meet to inspect Roxberoon pump and direct respecting Same Sanitary improvements thereat.

Ordered – That Notice be Served on Mrs Mary Lawler Roxberoon requiring her as immediate lessor to Cause a drain to be made from the Yards of her house above the Chapel gate in Roxberoon, to the main Sewer in Roxberoon to Carry the Sewage from the yards to the main Sewer.

The following was read

New Ros Sept 24th 1895.

To the Clerk of the Town Commissioners

Dear Sir

There are some Soil drains emptying into Robert street and running in the open Sewer. They are Causing a very offensive odour – especially this Warm Weather. I would feel ~~obliged~~ thankful if You Call attention of the Town Commissioners to this public nuisance and ask them to Kindly make an Order – That this open Sewer be well swept – ~~and~~ on next Saturday evening and a ~~little~~ fresh lime strewn over it. If this be not done it will be very offensive When our procession will be passing through that street on Sunday Next.

I am Yours Sincerely

Michael Kavanagh P.P.

The Executive Sanitary Officer states that the water

channel

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Channel had been Cleaned and lime strewn over it as soon after the letter had been receive, as possible.
Ordered— That the Water Channel in Robert Street be Cleaned and lime strewn over it at four Oclock on Saturday evening as required by Dr Kavanagh

~~The Meeting has adjourned to Wednesday 2nd October 1895~~

Sanitary Sub Officers Report— I got the fine Stench traps put down in the Labourers Dwellings at Fair Gate, the Bowling Green and William Street this week.

I served Dr Meehan with Sanitary Notice for the back Yards of houses in Barrack Lane Occupied by Patrick Lynch James Murphy Johana Morrissey Michael Scanlan, John Kavanagh Bridget Walsh and Alice Cheevers Where a Nuisance is Caused for want of Ash pits and privys in back Yards of houses. And Nuisance Caused for want of drain from French's Court to be made through the same Yards down to the lower Yard and to be brought to the Main Sewer in Barrack Lane and also to have the broken down doors stopped up to prevent Nuisance. the Landlord is Mr Deane

I visited the Lodging Houses in Mary Street

Street on Saturday night last, three men in Mrs Powers house Mary Street.

At Mrs Macnamaras, Mary Street two women

At Michael Morrisseys in Bewley Street ~~two women~~ one man.

At John Walsh's in Bewley Street two men.

At Anne Ryans, Bewley Street, one woman

At James Ryans Bewley Street one man.

That is the number at each house on Saturday night last

Mrs Mary Murray of South Street told me that the manure will be removed from the Slaughter House and not left in Brennans Lane as heretofore. No manure went to Brennan's Lane for the last week. It is in a good state now. (21st Instant).

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 2nd October 1895

1895 — Wednesday 25th September. A Weekly Meeting
September 25th of the Town Commissioners and Street Commissioners held this day after 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Present — Messrs —

Henry G. Hinson, Chairman in the Chair.
Matthew Hutchinson
Matthew S. Finn
James Dowling
Patrick Hunt.

Cheques were issued for the following amounts

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112 Meekly Bill —,—— £5.19.0
113 New Ross Gas Company 62.13.6

On reading of the Minutes, in reference the Inspectors Report at previous meeting respecting the Streets, the Inspector who was present, said Mr J Byrne County Surveyors Assistant, told him Inspector in reply, that in Consequence of the weather at the time it was not a proper time for the Contractor to Repair the Streets.

Proposed by Mr Dowling,
Seconded by Mr Finn,

Lamp Sugar Ho Lane the Lighted. That the lamp in the middle of Sugar House Lane be one of the lamps Kept lighting all night. Passed unanimously.

Manure

A proposal was read from Patrick Power Old Court for one heap of Manure @ 23/-

Ordered, That Patrick Powers proposal for One heap of Manure at 23/- be accepted.

Three Communications were read from Mr J. Somers Hon. Sec. New Ross Cycling Club asking for the use of the large rooms to hold Meetings of their Club.

Ordered — That the use of the large Room

be given for holding a Meeting of the New Ros Cycling Club, if the Dramatic Club, the present Tenants of the room will Consent to oblige, by suspending their Dramatic practice on the night required by the Cycling Club. The following was read.

From C. Croker Memorandum. 21st Sept 1895

Corbally Limerick. To

Wm Lobin Town Clerk New Ros.

Be good enough to publish notice in some Newspaper Circulating in the Town of my intention to Audit the Accounts of the Town Commissioners for the year ended 31st December last at the Town Hall on Tuesday 15th October at 9 Oclock in the forenoon; please send me a newspaper Containing the notice of Audit and you will also please let me know whether the accounts will be fully prepared for audit by the date mentioned.

C. C.

Ordered – That the notice of Audit be inserted in the next issue of the New Ros Standard.

Tenders for painting &c Tholsel to be inserted Standard & Waterford News

The Chairman Submitted the following Resolution which was unanimously adopted. That Tenders for the painting, papering Cleaning and repairing the offices, staircase, passages, wood work and other work in the Tholsel New Ros, be advertised for in the New Ros Standard and Waterford News. In accordance with the Specification

to

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to be seen in the office of the New Rds
Town Commissioners.

Tenders to be lodged by Wednesday
the 2nd day of October 1895.

The Chairman also submitted the specifi-
Cation for the work to be done.

Ordered — That the advertisment inviting
Tenders for the work be inserted in the
New Rds Standard and in the Waterford
News. The work to be done in accord-
-ance with the specification. Also, that
Platcards be printed and posted in
Town. inviting Tenders for the
performance of the work. The proposals
to be received at next meeting

A Proposal was read from Mr O'Sullivan
for some of the building stones quarries
for the Town Commissioners in the John
street Quarries, at 1/6 per ton

A similar proposal was received from
William Carty at 1/- per ton.

Ordered — That Mr Sullivan's tender be
accepted for 50 tons at 1/6 per. Ton.

Inspector's Report — I have

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to state that I got the broken
bottles and stones removed from
the lane at the back of the yards of Mr
Kennedy Mr Walsh and Dr Meehan and
properly cleaned up and gave notice
to the occupiers not to throw bottles &c there
and they promised not to do so.

John Keogh got the frame and door
put up at the outlet from Marsh
Lane sewer.

The water Channel in Marsh Lane
has been finished by Mr Curran.

The following was read.

Grand Canal House, James's-Street
Harbour, Dublin, 19th September 1895.

Dear Sir

As requested in your letter of the
16th Inst. I have pleasure to enclose
herewith a Copy of the Bye-Laws proposed
to be adopted by this Company.

Yours faithfully
James Kirkland
Secretary.

J. McTobin Esq
Town Clerk
Town Commissioners Office
New Ross.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday
2nd October 1895.

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1895 — September 27th

Friday 27th September — A meeting of the Sanitary Committee to be held this day at 11 O'clock A.M. to inspect the place near the Rosbercon Abyssinian Pump and direct as to some sanitary improvements thereat in accordance with report from the Medical Officer of Health.

Mr E. Walsh was the only member in attendance.

In the evening an effort was made to Collect a Meeting. A Quorum not having attended, Mr Walsh came over and saw the Commissioners men Carrying out some of the Medical Officers suggestions

Mr Walsh suggested that ~~the~~ ~~it~~ the open drain near and below the pump be flagged and the ground levelled — That a flag be placed under the inlet from the water Channel in the street, and a descending water way made from that to the Covered drain — That the weeds at the top of the hill be removed and a descending Channel Cut in the mud to let the water flow freely down the hill.

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1895 — Wednesday 2nd October — A meeting
October 2nd of the Town Commissioners acting as the
New Rop Urban Sanitary Authority held this
day at 7½ o'clock P.M. to transact business
pursuant to the Public Health (Ireland) Act 1878

Members present — Mayor —
David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Matthew Hutchinson
Peter J Byrne
Matthew J. Flinn
Edward Walsh

114 The Sanitary Weekly Bill amounting to £ 0.11.0
was passed for payment

The following was prepared for, but not
read at Previous Meeting

Town Commissioners' Office New Rop
25th September 1895.

To the Chairman of the New Rop Town Commissioners
acting as the New Rop Urban Sanitary Authority.

Sir,

In accordance with the Order passed at
last Meeting of the Urban Sanitary Authority —
after the reading of the letter from the Local
Government Board — No. 41,463. 1895 dated 10th
September 1895 and the Report of their Medical
Inspector Dr Stafford, annexed thereto, respecting my
Neglect of duty in not having Kept the "Sanitary
Record Book," and Not having Sent the Minutes
of proceedings of the Sanitary Authority to the
Local Government Board regularly —

"That the Executive Sanitary Officer Send in a
written explanation as to his neglect of duty,
to be Sent to the Local Government Board for
their

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their information".—

Shep & State, that for

for some time before the end of the year

1894, I was ailing with a recurrence of

Chronic Dyspepsy, an ailment I have suffered

from in the Cold Season for many years.

In the first of January of the present year, my

ailing turned to a very severe type of Gastrod-

-ynia, Combined with Influenza, and I was

Confined to bed.

Jam Board Kindly allowed my Son to

act in my place for me. In the begining

of February I was so low there were doubts

as to my recovery, but judging humanly, the

Skill, and very Constant attendance of Dr

Malah brought me on the way to recovery.

In February, my Son who had been

acting in my place, took ill, and drawing to the

end of February he became very ill, and Contrary

to many advices, I ventured out to see him, and

and When I did see him he was dead.

My debilitated Condition, and the shock my

Sepstem received generally, at the unexpected

Sight— Of seeing my Son dead— proved very severe

on My nervous Sepstem. The day after the

interment of my Son, Necessity obliged me to

Come to the Office as I was excited, or very restless,

fearing the business of the Office had become

tangled or very much neglected. I tried to do

something as well as I Could, but I found

that

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that during my illness all the rooms in the Thatched except a small one had been given for the purpose of holding a ball, and all the book and papers which had been strewn about rooms for the want of press-room, were put up by persons interested in Clearing the rooms for the Ball.

It took me a long time to unravel things so that I Could refer to them for use. This was more wasting on My Mental ~~than~~ ~~ph~~ Capacity than even My previous Ordeal.

I had no time to rest and take the ease required for nervous or physical restoration to strength. With Gods help, and trying to Keep the best side out, I endeavored to Keep the most pressing things done in the Office, but felt the weakness of memory and want of Concentration so much, that I was avoiding the doing of many things until I would be better able. It was only When the warm weather had Continued for a good While that I found myself becoming able to do things Midling. I had much arrears to look to and amongst them the filling up of the "Sanitary Record and Report Book" and sending off the Minutes.

I regret very much the apparent neglect, but misfortune helped to kane me so much in fault.

I am sorry to be obliged to introduce so much of My personal Circumstances, but in Order to Speak truthfully, I Could not kane said less.

An ample new press has been provided for

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for the office & hold books and papers which will allow me facilities for performing my duties, the want of which I have felt for a long time.

For the limited period, probably, that I may be discharging the duties, I can only promise to do my best to avoid neglects of duty as well as I can, and I hope to keep the promise.

Hoping my explanation may be kindly acceptable.

I remain, Sir
Respectfully
Your faithful Servant
J. W. Robin
Clerk and Executive Sanitary Officer

David Murphy Esqr
Chairman
Town Commissioners
acting, as the
New Ross Urban Sanitary
Authority.

With the approval of the meeting the Chairman wrote the following on the letter of explanation to be sent to the Local Government Board.

"We believe the foregoing to be a Correct statement. Signed on behalf of the Commissioners"

David Murphy
Chairman.

It was agreed that the Original Copy of the explanation read and signed by the Chairman and be transmitted to the Local Government Board with the Minutes of the Meeting.

Sanitary Report

No 716 I hereby report to you that my attention has been drawn by Mr Redmond to

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to the unsanitary Condition of the back ~~yards~~ premises of the houses occupied by James Spratt and Ellen Daley in Rosbercon A nuisance exists in both from want of a Sewer in Connection with the main Sewer in street, both Yards are filthy, and I recommend that a Sewer be Constructed so as to drain the back yards and for that purpose Ash pits and privies to be got up with as little delay as possible, as I Consider both premises dangerous to public healths.

2nd October 1895.

M. Walsh, Medical Officer of Health.

Ordered - That Notice be Served on Thomas Tysdall the owner, or on his legal representative his property being marked in red in the Government Valuation Book ("In chancery"), requiring that Ash pits and privies be fixed in the Yards of the houses occupied by James Spratt and Ellen Daley, and that trapped drains be made from the Yards of said houses to the main Sewer in the Street.

The following was read.

No 44, 023: 1895 Local Government Board

New Ros (Town) Dublin, 1st October 1895.

Sir,

The Local Government Board for Ireland acknowledge the receipt of Minutes of proceedings of the New Ros Urban Sanitary Authority on the 18th Ultimo, Containing an entry of their letter Communicating the recent report of their Medical Inspector, Dr ~~Bradley~~ Stafford, relating to the Sanitary

Condition

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Condition of the district and the Board observe that no Order appears to have been made with regard to the Condition of the Ash pits and privies to which Dr ~~Babbage~~ Stafford has drawn attention.

With respect to this matter the Board would refer the Guardians to the provisions of Section 45 of the Public Health (Ireland) Act 1878, which defines defines the duties of the Sanitary Athority in Connexion with ash pits and privies.

I am, Sir,

To. J. Tobin Esqr — Your obedient Servant

D. J. Mac Sheahan.

Ordered — That the Local Government Board be informed that the Urban Sanitary Authority have been and are Continuing to receive reports respecting the want of Ash pits and privies, and are issuing Notices thereon requiring the Construction of Ashpits and privies where required, and will Continue to do so.

No 13

The following was read.

Medical Superintendents Report.

During the Month of August the state of Health of the Urban Sanitary District has been good.

The Water supply in the District is not sufficient, and it would be well to procure an ample supply without delay

2/10/95.

Signed
G. A. Hickey
Superintendent Officer

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Ordered – That the report of the Medical Superintendent Officer of Health be referred to the next meeting to be held for Considering the Water Supply question.

Sanitary Sub Officers Report – I have to state that ~~I got~~ Mr Boyd got the doors and windows in the Unoccupied house in Barrack Lane made up, to prevent Nuisance that had been going on there for some time.

I visited the houses and back yards in Wexford street. I found the yards clean and the Manure removed. No of yards visited fifteen.

I served Dr Walsh with a Sanitary Notice for back Yards of Houses occupied by James Spratt and Ellen Daley of Roxbercon, Where a Nuisance is Caused for want of proper outletts from the Yards to the Main Sewer in the Street and also a Nuisance Caused for want of Ash pits and privys in the back Yards of the Houses.

A Mr Tysdall is the Landlord. John Phelan of Granaheby and Michael Shannon of Roxbercon are the Agents for the Houses.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 9th October 1895.

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Meeting of the Town Commissioners and
Street Committee held this day after
½n Oilock P.M. to transact business
pursuant to the Towns Improvement
(Ireland) Act 1854. Present — Messrs —
David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Matthew Hutchinson
Peter J. Byrne
Matthew J. Flinn
Edward Malak

115 The Mackay Bill amounting to £6.9.7

Street Inspectors Report — Shane to
State that I got the Ground around the
the Pump in Rochercen filled up and a
Concrete good Coat of Concrete about
four inches spread over it and a small
Channel in the Centre, to take the water
that is thrown out from the Pump
down to the pill.

The following were read.

Dublin 25th September 1895, 15 Bridgefoot St.

John Tobin Esq Town Clerk new Rds.

Dear Sir,

Since you wrote first we have
had an application from a Board
for a Mud Cart — Estimate to be sent in
time for their Meeting next week.

Your letter of the 23rd opportunely to
hand. So what do you think of offering
your Cart to them with your reasons

for

not requiring it.

how in this may we may have the same ~~Commission~~ profit as if in making a new one, whilst taking it off your hands

Please ask Your Commissioners what they will take for it in Dublin.

Yours faithfully
James Fitzsimon & Son

Corporation of Cork
Municipal Building, Albert Street
Cork 28th September 1895.

J. W. Robin Esqr
Town Clerk
New Ross

Dear Sir

Referring to your letter of the 26th Inst I am directed by our public Works Committee to request You to send them photographs or drawings of the dumping machine and scavenging Cart. What Your Commissioners have for sale together with dimensions, Makers names lowest price and present Condition

Yours faithfully
D. F. Gillman
Secretary of Committees.

Town Hall Carlow, 25 Sept 1895.

Dear Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of Your letter of the 20th Inst. which was read at Meeting of the Town Commissioners last evening. When I was directed to request that You will Kindly inform the Town Commissioners

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Commissioners the Name of the Makers of the Tumbling Cart and Street Sweeping Machine, and What is the lowest price for which Your Board will dispose of the Machines.

Yours faithfully
James Kelly
Town Clerk

To Wm Robin Esqr
Town Clerk, New Ross.

Ordered — That the Clerk write to Messrs Fitzsimons and Lee informing them that he is waiting for a Meeting of the Commissioners to enabling him to reply the Meeting will be held next Wednesday.

Ordered — That the Clerk write to Carlow and to Cork in reply, stating the makers names and giving the prices paid for them. Also stating they were used on about fourteen occasions after being received. That there is no means of taking a photograph or of getting a proper drawing of the Cart, that they will be sold at fifteen ~~cent~~ percent under the Cost price, delivered here. That

the Tumbling Cart Cost	£22.0.0
Sweeping machine Cost	31.0.0
	£53.0.0

That they will be sold T. Cart £18.14.0
Sweeping machine 26.7.0
£45.1.0

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A Communication was read from the Town Clerk Dungarvan saying they had entered into a four years Contract for maintaining and sweeping the streets and would not require the Cart or sweeping Machine.

Proposals were read, for manure from
E Browne Annestown for five heaps of manure at 22/ per heap
From John Cheeres Shallows Park @ 22/- per heap. for four heaps
In Mr Brownes proposal it appeared & had been entered and blotted.

It appeared there were five heaps on hands.
Ordered That the Clerk inform Mr Browne he Can have three heaps of the manure if he fixe 22/6 per heap and states so in writing

manure

Ordered — That John Cheeres' proposal for two heaps be accepted if he fixes 22/6 per heap and drops a line accepting the terms

manure

Mr Cheeres in a note dated 4th Inst accepted the two heaps at 22/6.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 9th October 1895.

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October 4th

Monday 9th October Monthly Meeting day
No attendance of Members.
The Meeting was adjourned to
Wednesday 9th October 1895

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Wednesday 9th October — A meeting of the Town Commissioners acting as the New Ros Urban Sanitary Authority held this day at 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Public Health (Ireland) Act 1878

Members present — Mess^rs —
David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Henry G. Hinson
Peter J. Byrne
Matthew J Flinn
John Butler

116 The Sanitary Weekly Bill amounting to £0.17.0

Sanitary Sub Officers Report — I have to State that I visited the houses and back yards in Rochercon. I found the yards clean except the yards of ~~Michael~~ Philip Dunphy and Michael Sullivan. The Ashpits not clean. They promised to have the manure removed from their yards this week. The Number of houses visited — Fifteen.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 16th October 1895.

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Wednesday 9th October — A meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee and an adjourned Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners held this day after the Arbour P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns' Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Members present—Messrs—

David Murphy, Chairman in the Chair
Henry G. Kinsan
Peter J. Byrne
Matthew J. Finn
John Butler

Cheques were issued for the following amounts—

117	Weekly Bill	£7.7.9
118	The Manager, General Advertiser, advertising Cart &c	0.5.0
119	The Manager Waterford News, Advertising painting &c	0.5.0
120	John Lobin Clerk, ½ Salary due 7th Inst—	18.15.0

John Williams did not get the Rubbish as Sullivan refused & let it go.

A proposal was read from John Williams Mount Elliott offering 1/ per load for 20 loads of the Rubbish in John Street quarry left after the quarrying for the Town Commissioners for flags. Accepted.

Manure.

A Communication was read from Wm Browne Arnestown saying — In answer to yours (Clerk) I will accept the three heaps at 22/6. what was in the proposal. This referred to this proposal received at previous Meeting.

A Similar Communication read from Mr Chevers fixing 22/6 per heap. for Two heaps.

Inspector's Report — John Fitzgerald the Street Contractor has got the Crossings at St Thomas'

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Thomas Reading Room repaired and at the East end of Marsh Lane and at the Stop Cock in Quay Street and on the Quay Sot Stones spread on the low places this week.

The flags that Jeremiah O'Shea is blasting and quarrying in John Street are not Coming out good for Covering the the main Sewers in the Street. They are short and not strong enough for wide drains. It is a bad rock to get good flags out of.

John Fitzgerald the Street Cantractor Called on me to Know if the Commissioners are going to do any more work in Marsh Lane in the way of Spreading Stones over it again.

Mr Boyd is getting the Railway Metals removed from the Brewery Yard this day down to Priory Lane.

Ordered — That the Clerk Write to Mr T. Byrne County Surveyor's Assistant, Calling his attention to the Car track in the lower part of Marsh Lane, Which requires to be raised. That Complaints have been made about it, to the Town Commissioners.

Painting and papering in Thickets

As no tenders had been received at previous Meeting for repairing and painting the Office &c it was agreed

That the Chairman and Mr Hinson meet on Thursday 10th they would Consider the Specification again, and take the opinions of an expert on the subject.

~~The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 16th October 1895.~~

Ordered — That the Street Committee Meet
18. at 10 o'clock A.M. Thursday 10th October
to inspect the quarry work in John Street
and direct respecting the work whether it is
to be Continued or stopped

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday
16th October 1895.

1895 — Thursday October 10th A meeting of the
October 10th Street Committee held this day at
10½ o'clock A.M. To inspect the work
of quarrying in John Street. Present Mess —
David Murphy
Peter J. Byrne
Matthew Hutchinson.
The Committee inspected John Street quarry
after which they agreed — That the flags
quarried be brought by the Commissioners
Car to the Manure Yard.
That Mrs Sullivan be requested to take
the amount of building stones she requires as
soon as possible. That

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That Mr Carty be requested to take the building stones he requires from the Johnstut quarry.

That J. Williams be allowed to take the rubbish at 1d per load.

That the quarrying be stopped on Saturday night next

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October 10th.

Thursday 10th October A meeting of the Town Commissioners acting as the New Ross Urban Sanitary Authority to be held this day at 7½ Oclock P. M. to Consider fully on the proposed new water Supply.

The Chairman was the only Member in attendance.

The Chairman adjourned to Thursday 24th October 1895.

Water Supply Adjourned

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October 16th

1895 — Wednesday 16th October — A meeting of the Lower Commissioners acting as the new Rop Urban Sanitary Authority held this day at 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Public Health (Ireland) Act 1878 &c

Present — Mayor —
David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Henry G. Kinsella
Matthew Hutchinson
Matthew L Finn
Peter L Byrne
James Dowling

121 The Sanitary Weekly Bill amounts to £0. 16. 6

Sanitary Sub Officers Report — I visited the back yards of Labourers Dwellings at the Fair Gate Bawling Green and Church Lane and William Street along with Michael Cahill, and I found the Stench traps Clean and yards Clean only in the yard of Thomas Fitz Henry of the Fair Gate — the Yard not Cleaned up. Mrs Fitzhenry promised to have it Cleaned.

I visited the houses and back yards in Sugar House Lane. I found the yards Clean only the back yard of house occupied by Mrs Hennessy and she promised to have the manure removed from the Yard on this Week.

I visited the Slaughter house of Mary Murray in Brennans Lane. I found the

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the House Clean and no manure from the Slaughter house left in Brennan's Lane for a long time.

The following was read

Chambers, 10 South Frederick Street
Dublin 12th October 1895

Sir

Referring to your Notice of the 11th instant, requiring abatement of nuisance in the Yards of houses occupied by James Spratt and Ellen Daley, "Tenants on the "property in Roxheven owned by the Reps. "of the late Thomas Tysdall". I beg to say as agent for the Reps of Thomas Tysdall that they have no Tenants in Roxheven of the name of James Spratt and Ellen Daley. I Can, if necessary supply you with the names of the Tenants of the Reps of Tysdall.

Yours faithfully
E. R. McNamara

John Robinson Esqr
Executive Sanitary Officer
New Rop.

Ordered — That the Executive Sanitary Officer Write to Mr McNamara asking him to give the Names of the Tenants for the houses occupied by James Spratt and Ellen Daley in Roxheven. That the Sanitary Sub Officer enquire in Roxheven Who these Tenants pay the Rent to.

A Communication was read from the Secretaries

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of the new Rop Commercial Club.— Saying ~~the Committee of the above Club beg to direct the~~ attention of the Commissioners to the very unsanitary state of the partially open sewer almost opposite their premises in Bridge street and near Mr Keeffes Corner.

The Sanitary Sub Officer was Called before the Meeting.

Ordered— That the Sewer be trapped, and that the Sanitary Sub Officer see the Secretary of the Club, and inform him that the Sanitary Authority had been engaged for some time trying to ascertain how the nuisance Complained of Could be abated.

Ordered— That the quarrying for flags in John street Quarry be Continued until otherwise Ordered.

The following was Read.

No 15 Bridgefoot Street Dublin, October 10th 1895.

Dear Sir

We enclose a Copy of ~~Your~~ our letter Sent in reply to Mr Scully of Cork Whose own enquiring, We also Send you. Trusting the matter may turn out Satisfactorily.

We remain Yours truly

James Fitzsimons & Son.

John Lobin Esqr
Town Commissioners Office
New Rop

(Copy)

Cart and Wagon Works, Dublin Oct. 10th 1895.

Edward Scully Esqr
Municipal Buildings, Cork

Sir,

In reply to your letter of Yesterday We regret

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regret having no Photo to send you as the machines were made to pattern supplied, and directions of our Superintendent here. They are of the best modern type now in use and were got from us in April 1894 at a Cost of £22/- & £31- respectively for Cart and Sweeping machine. Should you be in town we shall be happy to show you several in our Yard of similar make used by various Townships around this City.

Yours faithfully

(Signed) James Fitzsimons & Son

P.S. Our Price Was f.o.b. steamer here.

Letter Lg B
Return of Officers
2nd Oct. 95

A Circular was read from the Local Government Board, No 145—M/95—Miscellaneous, dated 2nd October 1895. — Saying I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to forward to you the accompanying forms, and to request that you will be so good as to furnish them with a Return of the names, &c of the General Officers ~~&c~~ employed by the Urban Sanitary Authority, as indicated in the forms.

The Return is required for the purpose of record in this Office, and it should be made up to the 1st instant and forwarded in Duplicate, as soon as practicable.

I

I am
Sir
Your Obedient Servant

To the Executive Sanitary Officer Thomas A. Mooney.
of each Urban Sanitary Authority.

Ordered — That the Forms be filled and Returned as required.

Letter L.G.B.
Return Sanitary Salaries
10th Oct. 7

A Circular was read from the Local Government Board — No 143 — M/95 — Miscellaneous, dated 10th October 1895 — saying — The Local Government Board for Ireland request that You will be so good as to furnish them with a return, in the enclosed form, showing the amounts which have been paid as Salaries to the Sanitary Officers of Your District for the year ended 29th September last, with a view to a portion thereof being recouped out of the Vote of Parliament, in accordance with the 71st Section of the Public Health Act 1878.

Three Copies of the Forms are enclosed, in order that You may retain a Copy of Your return if You desire to do so; the other two Copies, duly filled up and Certified by the Signature of the Chairman and by Your own Signature should be returned to this Office with as little delay as possible.

The portion of the Salaries which will be recouped will be determined in accordance with the Scale Contained in the Boards Circular letter of the 8th October 1874, a Copy of which is annexed hereto.

The Executive Sanitary Officer
of each Urban Sanitary District.

I am
Your Obedient Servant
Thos A Mooney
Secretary

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Ordered — That the forms be filled and returned as requested.

Letter L.G.B.
8th Oct 1895
Bye Laws

A Circular from the Local Government Board No 34, 841/1895 — Miscellaneous. Dated 8th October 1895 Was read — Saying — With reference to their Circular letter of the 14th August last, in which special attention was invited to the imperative requirements of Section 91 of the Public Health (Ireland) Act 1878, in regard to the making of Bye Laws with respect to Common Lodging-Houses, I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to send the enclosed form of Bye Laws for the guidance of Sanitary Authorities who have not already framed Bye Laws for the purpose, or who may not consider the existing Bye Laws adequate, and would desire to adopt an amended Code. It should be born in mind that Bye Laws made by a Sanitary Authority under the Public Health Act shall be under their Common Seal (Sec. 219), and cannot be confirmed by the Local Government Board until the requirements of Section 221 shall have been complied with.

Appended to the Bye Laws will be found a Copy of sections 87 to 99, including, of the Public Health Act relating

relating to Common Lodging-houses; and the Sanitary Authority will observe that the important provisions of these Sections, irrespective of Bye Laws, have been in force in every Sanitary District since the passing of the Act.

I am
Sir
Your obedient Servant
D. J. MacSheahan
Assistant Secretary.

To
The Executive Sanitary Officer
of each Sanitary Authority
Urban and Rural.

A Copy of the Bye Laws referred to was received.

Ordered – That the Consideration of the letter and Bye Laws be adjourned, the Executive Sanitary Officer to read the Bye Laws and Compare with the Bye Laws already adopted and report result of his reading.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 23rd October 1895.

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Wednesday 16th October – A Weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7 o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 Present – Messrs –

David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Henry G. Hinson
Matthew Hutchinson
Matthew J. Finn
Peter J. Byrne
James Dowling

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Cheques were issued for the following amounts

122 Weekly Bill ——— £4.19.1

123 Charles McCann for the sum office
Rremium, for Insurance of £1200
on the Thatched buildings for year ending 29th Sept 1896. 0. 18.0

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Street Inspectors Report — Mr Boyd is getting the Railway metals removed from the Brewery Yard this day (9th October) to Priory Lane

Pipe water Mr Mathew O'Briens pipe the Cut off

Mr Matthew O'Brien on the Quay Gave me notice to have the water pipe Cut off from the main pipe in the Street in the Street on the tenth of November next.

Ordered — That the branch pipe Conveying pipe water to Mathew Briens house on the Quay, be Cut off on the 10th November next.

The following was read.

Painting & papering Office. Specification

Specification and Estimate for painting papering and Colouring to be done at the Thatched new Rop for the Town Commissioners

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The Town Commissioners' and Collectors offices.

To have all the old paper taken off walls; all breaks and cracks to be stopped walls to be washed down and sized — to find and hang wall papers — paper to be 1/6 per piece, the Ceilings to be washed and whitened

Whitened. Woodwork ~~to be~~ usually painted to get two Coats paint— Colour to be light and dark drab and to get two Coats of best Copal varnish.

Staircase and Hall

To have all the old distemper Colour washed off walls and Ceilings, all breaks and Cracks to be made good. The top part of walls to be Coloured in distemper Colour— the painted part of walls to get two Coats oil paint; the doors on landing leading to offices to be painted and varnished same as offices —the doors and door frames in Hall, and window on stairs and woodwork under stair Case to be painted and grained light Oak and varnished

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External.

All the windows to be painted with two Coats best white lead paint. Entrance door to be painted and grained Oak and varnished The Cemented part of walls round lower windows to be painted with two Coats paint drab Colour.

Painting the Holes Proposal J Truman

To the Presiding Chairman
New Rop Town Commissioners.

Mr Chairman and Gentlemen,

I propose to do the painting &c according to the above specification for the sum of £24-15-0

J

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I am Gentlemen

Your obedient Servant

Joseph Freeman

South Street
New Rop October 16th 1895

P.S. This Estimate do not include the putting in of Glass in screen in Commissioners office or new door

J. F.

Proposed by W Hinson
Seconded by W Dowling — That Joseph Freemans Tender be accepter.

Amendment

Proposed by W Finn
Seconded by W Byrne That Advertisements be issued inviting proposals for the painting and Carpinter work to be done in the Pholeil.

On the amendment being ~~put~~ put & the vote there appeared for — Mesrs. Finn, Kutchinson & Byrne — 3
Against — Messrs — Hinson, Dowling and the Chairman — 3.

The votes being even the Chairman gave his casting vote against the Amendment. in accordance with the 38th Section of the Commissioners Clauses Act 1847.

The Resolution being put with the same voting three For and the Chairmans Casting vote, was declared passed.

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Specification of work to be done in
Tholsel by
Patrick Leacy

Proposal
accepted
see over

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to

Specifiction

For Work to be done at Tholsel for the New Ross Town Commissioners

To put up a new door and frame in the Hall the door to be made With 4 Pannels the framing to 2 inches thick.

Timber to be of dryge Red Pine or 1st quality Spruce the frame for door to be of Red Pine 4½ +3 With half Round fan Sash on head

The door to be hung With Smiths Patent Spring hinge

The Sill for door to be Set on level with Hall the Sill to be Pitch Pine 9 x 6

all Plastern on Walls to be Made good where broken off

a Spring Lock with a wire from it to the Office to be Erected so as the door can be opened from Office

the Seeling in the Small Office to be taken down and Replaced With a new Seeling of ⅝ Sheeting put up neatly Cleaned vied and Robited With 1½ Scotia Moulding all Round

the framing in Side of the Office to be Required to take away the top Railing and Put a Reaee on 20 Inches high fitted for glass Pannels

The timber to be 1st quality Spruce 2½ + 1½ finished with a Moulding Capping

a desk to be Removed to a nother room

one half of the Cros door in Hall to be Hung With 6 inch Metal Butts

a Pair of handles on the Office door New door to be Supplied with a Brass Knocker by Rate

P Lennon

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The following was read.

Mary Street New Ros
October 16th 1895

Tender for Carpenter work

Gentlemen

I Patrick Leacey will undertake the repairs that are to be done in the Tholsel for the New Ros Town Commissioners for the sum of £10. (pounds) ten Shillings according to the specification (annexed) and to the satisfaction of the Commissioners or a person appointed by them.

I am Gentlemen

Yours truly

Patrick Leacey

Proposed by W Hinson
Seconded by W Dowling

That Patrick Leaceys proposal for the repairs &c to be done in the Tholsel in accordance with his specification.

The proposition was passed
Mess- Hutchinson and Flynn dissenting

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 23rd October 1895.

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October 23rd Town Commissioners acting as the New Ros. Urban Sanitary Authority held this day at 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant

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Pursuant to the Public Health
(Ireland) Act 1878
No attendance of Members.
The Meeting was adjourned to Thursday
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Meeting of the Town Commissioners
and Street Committee to be held this
day after 7 o'clock P.M. to transact
business pursuant to the Towns
Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854
No attendance of Members
The Meeting was adjourned to Thursday
24th October 1895.

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Thursday 24th October — A weekly Meeting
of the Town Commissioners acting
as the New Ross Urban Sanitary Authority
held this day at 7 o'clock P. M. to
transact business pursuant to
the Public Health (Ireland) Act 1878 &
Members present — Myers —
David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Peter J Byrne
Matthew Hutchinson
Patrick Hunt
Edward Walsh (took the Commissioners declaration)
Patrick Kennedy

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Matthew J. Finn (took the Commissioners Declaration)
Michael Hickey (took the Commissioners Declaration)
124 the Sanitary Meekly Bill ~~Meekly~~ amounted to £0.15.4

Sanitary Sub Officers Report— Mrs Mary Lawler has got the drain opened to the main sewer in the street from the lower yard of the houses above the Chapel in Compliance with the Notice served on her to do so.

I Called on Dr Cheny about the sanitary arrangements to be made in Michael Keeffe's house in Bridge Street or the Quay. He told me he did not think he could put up a Water Closet in that House, and told me he would call to the Commissioners Office about it.

W Thomas Boyd has got the privys put up in ~~Rosbercon~~ the houses in Rosbercon also the pits in accordance with Notice served on him

I Called on Ellen Daley, Rosbercon on this day (22nd October) and She told me it was her brother Michael Shanahan was the tenant for her house and paid the rent to the Landlord, and She paid the rent to her brother. I Called on Mrs Margaret Sprat and She told me that John Phelan of Garranbehy was the Tenant of the House and paid the Landlord.

That her father William Bergan paid him and She paid him the rent since her father died. She told me she would

Get

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get a receipt from him & bring to the Office.

Visited the Slaughter houses in the Irishtown and Mount Garret Lane.

Found the houses and yard, Clean daily by Mrs Mary Ronan's. Where I saw a Heap of Manure. I was told it was sold and would be taken away after a few days time

Houses and Yards Visited — Nine in number.

I got the Stench trap put down by Curran in Bridge Street There is some paving to be done round it in the Channel.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 30th October 1895

1895 — Thursday 24th October A meeting of the
October 24th Town Commissioners acting as the
New Rop Urban Sanitary Authority held
this day after 7 o'clock P.M. "To Consider
the proposed New Water Scheme fully"
detailed information respecting it
will be submitted to the Meeting."

Proposed Water Scheme

Members present — Messrs —
David Murphy, Chairman in the Chair
Peter J. Byrne

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Matthew Hutchinson
Patrick Hunt
Edward Walsh
Patrick Kennedy
Matthew I. Finn
Michael Hickey

Ice Water Scheme adjourned for 12 Months

A Conversation took place respecting the proposed new water Scheme. No detailed or Statistical information respecting the Scheme was submitted to the Meeting.

Proposed by Mr Kennedy.
Seconded by Mr Hutchinson -

That the Consideration of adopting the Water Supply from the Glandelin Stream be adjourned for the period of 12 months from this date

Passed the Chairman dissenting.

The Meeting was adjourned.

1895 — October 24th — Thursday 24th October - A weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after ½ o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Members present - Messrs
David Murphy, Chairman in the Chair
Peter I. Byrne M

Matthew

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Matthew Hutchinson
Patrick Hunt
Edward Doolah
Edward Walsh
Patrick Kennedy
Matthew J. Finn
Michael Hickey

Cheques were issued for the following amts

125 Meekly Bill — — £5.8.8
126 James Ranson. Poor Rates as per a/c 14.11.9

The following was read.

New Rop 22nd October 1895

Sir

The Harbour Comrs of New Rop would feel obliged to the Town Comrs for use of their Office at the Tholsel for Meetings of Comrs to be held on the 23rd Instant, and 4th November next pending further arrangements to be made.

Yours truly
James Kearns
Secretary to Harb. Comrs

To
David Murphy Esqr
Chairman of the New Rop
Town Commissioners.

The Chairman States that on Receipt of the letter he gave the use of the office for holding the Meeting on the 23rd Instant in accordance with a Resolution passed sometime back,

that

in Case of urgency the Chairman Could give the use of the Large Room for holding a Meeting. He gave the use of the Office where the Harbour Commissioners used, when acting hold their Meetings

Approved.

Ordered — That the use of the Commissioners Office be given to the Harbour Commissioners, for holding their election on Monday 4th November 1895.

An application was read from Mr P. Bolger Auctioneer for holding an Auction of land property on Tuesday 29th Instant.

Ordered — That the use of the Large Room be given to Mr Bolger for holding the Auction on the date named for 5/-.

A Communication was read from Thomas Butler tenant in one of the Commissioners houses at the Fair Gate — Saying — She begs to state that she was accepted tenant for a house at Fair Gate on the 8th May last, the house Mrs Walsh was living in. She did not leave it until the 6th of June. The place was not made safe to live in by the Contractors Work, and by work I had to do myself on the house until the 17th August. When I entered into possession the Collector demanded rent from the 10th of June. As Could not occupy or use the

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the house until the work was finished
I think it only reasonable that my
rent should Commence from the time
it was fit for occupation the time
I entered into it.

Hoping you will direct that I
be Charged with rent only from the
time I entered into possession.

I remain Gentlemen
Your obedient Servant
Thomas Butler.

Ordered — That T Butler be Charged
rent but from the 17th August the date
on which he entered into possession.

A Circular was read from R.
Caulfield Orpen Secretary to the
Arts and Crafts Society of Ireland
7 Leinster Street Dublin — Loan
Section Ancient Irish Art — Saying
— At a Meeting of the Executive Committee
of the Irish Arts and Crafts Society held
on Friday October 4th — The Earl of Mayo
presiding — it was proposed by John B.
Cullen Esqr M. A. M.R.I.A. and Seconded
by W. G. Molloy Esqr M.R.I.A.:—
That this Committee solicit the various Corpo-
-rations and Municipal Bodies in Ireland
who are known to possess Civic "Insignia"
to allow same to be added to the Loan
Collection

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Collection, and that ~~the~~ Right Hon. the Lord Mayor of Dublin be asked to become Custodian of this section of the Exhibits".

It was also suggested that the Senates of the Colleges be asked to allow their Maces &c. to form part of the Collection as also the Council of the Royal Irish Academy — the mace of the latter being generally Considered to be that of the Irish House of Commons.

The Right Hon. the Lord Mayor of Dublin has met the wishes of the Committee and has arranged for the exhibiting of the City of Dublin Sword, Mace &c with some of the ancient Charters and illuminated Books.

We therefore respectfully ask that You will, at earliest time Convenient request the Council to allow the Civic Ornaments and ancient Seals of the Corporation of New Ross to be exhibited. So doing will in no small degree serve to illustrate the efficiency of Irish Art in ~~the~~ times past and as well orient the exhibition with a feature of great historic interest. Ancient Civic documents or Records, in which illumination or artistic penmanship is displayed will also be received in this Section of the loans.

Directions for transmission will be sent. Should Your reply be favourable — Special Care will be taken of everything received and Special insurances effected. Kindly send

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a description of the articles likely
to be so that suitable provision
may be made for displaying them.

The Exhibition will open on the
26th November, but all exhibits of
this Kind should be in place fourteen
days previous to that date.

We are dear Sir
The Executive Committee of the Arts
and Crafts Society of Ireland
R.C. Orpen. Hon. Sec.

A list of the Executive Committee, ~~Lord~~
The Earl of Mayo Chairman. — was
annexed — Also a list of Matters
that will be exhibited:

Ordered — That the Consideration of the
Application from the Arts and Crafts
Society of Ireland be referred to next
Meeting, the members to be noticed to attend,
to Consider Same. That the Clerk write
to the Hon. Sec. to the Society asking how
exhibits are to be transmitted and What
Guarantee will be given for their safe
return if lent.

The following Resolutions passed by the
Town Commissioners of Ballymena on the
7th Instant were received from Henry
O'Hara Town Clerk &c.

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Proposed by Wm Mc Kernill
Seconded by W Burns, and Resolved:—
1st— That we the Board of Town
Commissioners, in meeting assembled,
express our dissatisfaction with, and
disapproval of, the present state of the
law on the subject of Ground rents, which
throw the entire burden of Taxation on
the Owner or Occupier of property, and
allows the ground land Lord, who
draws from one-fourth to one-seventh
of the entire valuation in the shape of
Ground rent to go "scott free".
2nd— That we ask the aid of other Town
Commissioners and Boards of Guardians
in Ireland to assist us in redressing
this grievance; and that Copies of this resolution
be sent to the Chief Secretary for Ireland,
Lord Salisbury, Mr Russell, and to those Members
of Parliament who have been Conspicuous
in advocating the just Claims of Tenant-farmers
in Ireland.

Proposed by P Kennedy
Seconded by W Hunt

That we adopt
the Resolutions received from Ballymena
Town Commissioners respecting the freedom
of Ground Land Lords from Taxation.

Passed.

Clerks Report— the Lists and Notices
required by law, in Connection with the
Annual Election of Town Commissioners
for

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for October 1895, were prepared printed and posted.

The Other documents and papers required for an Election of Commissioners were prepared.

There were no nominations presented from Ratepayers up to time for discontinuing their reception on the 11th Instant.

The Outgoing Commissioners for New Ross Ward — Messrs — Michael Hickey, William Murphy, Edward Walsh and Edward Mickella were declared by the Returning Officer to be duly Elected Town Commissioners for the Ensuing three Years.

The Outgoing Commissioner for Rosbercon Ward was also declared by the Returning Officer to be duly elected for the ensuing three years, no nominations having been served for that Ward.

The Rotation List stands as follows.

New Ross Ward.

1895 Michael Hickey
" William Murphy
" Edward Walsh
" Edward Mickella
1894 John Butler
" Matthew Hutchinson
" Henry G. Kinsella
" Peter Murphy
1893 David Murphy
" Patrick Hunt

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1893 John Meehan
Peter J. Byrne
Rotherham Ward.
1895 Matthew J Finn
1894 James Dowling
1893 Patrick Kennedy
15th ~~th~~ October 1895.

John McGovern
Town Clerk.

The Meeting was adjourned to
Wednesday 30th October 1895.

1895 — Wednesday ~~30th~~ October - A meeting
October 30th of the Town Commissioners acting as the
New Rop Urban Sanitary Authority held
this day at 7½ O'clock P. M. to transact
business pursuant to the Public Health
(Ireland) Act 1878. &c. Present. Messrs.
David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Henry G. Kinsan &
Peter J. Byrne
Patrick Kennedy
Patrick Hunt.

Cheques were issued for the following amounts—
127 Sanitary Weekly Bill — £0.14.0
129 Garret A. Hickey M.D. Medical Superintendent
Officer of Health, One Years Salary due
" 1st August 1895. — £15.0.0
"

A note was read from Mr Samuel W. Hough
saying

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Saying — Beg to Call the Commissioners attention to the Main Sewer from Conduit lane to the Quay through the Archway under Messrs — Furlongs store Which I think requires to be Cleared.

Ordered — That Mr. Curran Open and examine the Sewer and Clear it if Required.

The Chairman stated it had been the practice on the death of a near Relative of a Commissioner to pass a Resolution of Sympathy and Condolence with the Member and his family and adjourn the Meeting Without transacting any Business except Signing the Cheques for the daily Labour bills. A member of their body, Mr John Butler, had as they were all aware, met with sad bereavement, Caused by the lamented death of his Mother.

Proposed by Mr Hinson
Seconded by Mr Byrne —

That as an expression of our sincere regret, Sympathy and Condolence, with Mr John Butler a respected member of our body in his and his family's bereavement, Caused by the death of his Mother, We adjourn this Meeting Without transacting any other business than signing the Cheques for

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for the payment of the daily Workmen.
Passed Unanimously.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday
6th November 1895.

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October 30th Meeting of the Town Commissioners and
Street Committee held this day after
½ a Oclock P.M. to transact business pursu-
ant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland)
Act 1854. Members present — Messrs —
David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Henry G. Hinson
Peter S. Byrne
Patrick Kennedy
Patrick Hunt
Michael Hickey
128 The Weekly Bill amounted to £6. 1. 0

For reason stated in the Minutes
of the Sanitary Meeting this meeting
was adjourned to Wednesday 6th
November 1895.

1895 — Monday 4th November — Monthly Meeting
November 4th day. No attendance of Members.
The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday
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Wednesday 6th November. A Meeting of the Town Commissioners acting as the New Rds Urban Sanitary Authority held this day at ½ oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Public Health (Ireland) Act 1878.

Members present — Messrs —
David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Patrick Kennedy
Patrick Hunt
Matthew Hutchinson
Henry G. Hinson
Peter J Byrne
Michael Hickey

130 Sanitary meeting Bill amounts to £0.11.0

Sanitary Sub Officers Report — I have to State that I visited the houses and back Yards on Charleton Hill and found the back yards Clean and manure removed. Number of houses visited — Fifteen

I got the stench traps in Caudeit lane and Quay street repaired and a bar of iron put in each grate to replace the broken bars that had been broken for some time.

Nuisances and Slops have been thrown into the Stench trap at Michael Reeffes in Bridge street at night, and I would recommend that a Man be appointed to stop there from nine to eleven Oclock at night ~~for~~ for a few

few nights to see what cause the nuisance comes from

I have to state that Mr Deane got no Sanitary work done in Banack Lane in the back yards of his houses and in French's Court occupied by his Tenants in Compliance with notice served on him on 10th October 1895.

Ordered - That a man be engaged to watch the Trap in Bridge street near Keeffes house until eleven Oclock at night to try to detect the person or persons who throw nuisance in the Grating at night

Proposed by Mr Herridon
Seconded by Mr Kennedy -

Mr Deanes Sanitary Notice - Legal Proceedings

That Messrs Colfer and Gethin be requested to institute proceedings against Mr Deane for not Complying with the Sanitary Notice requiring him to have proper trapped drainage to be made from the Yards of his houses in Banack Lane to the main Sewer in the Lane - Also, to erect proper privies in each of the Yards of the said houses. Passed unanimously.

Dr Kickeys Report. (No 14)

The following was read.

During the month of September, the State of Health of the Urban Sanitary District of New Ross has been good.

Signed Garret Kickey
Medical Superintendent officer of Health

The Chairman
Urban Sanitary Authority
28th / 10 / 95.

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A Communication was read from Mary Hickey, Marsh Lane, saying — For the last time She & Call the attention of the Town Commissioners to the nuisance yard they have Created opposite this house, and with which I perceive fresh accumulations of dirt are Carted every day.

I wonder very much that the Commissioners would insult the Rate payers in such a manner.

I hereby give them notice that unless they remove this nuisance, so offensive to sight and smell, and according to Medical Testimony, so prejudicial to the Public health, I will take legal proceedings against them.

Ordered — That the Medical Officer of Health be Called on to inspect and report on the Sanitary State of the Manure Yard in Marsh Lane.

The following was read.

Kilkenny, October 27th 1895.

John Robinson Esqr

Dear Sir,

Water Supply
W Barry's letter

I beg to thank You for your letter of the 26th Inst. received this morning

I am sorry to understand that your Commissioners have decided to adjourn the Consideration of the water supply for

for such a lengthened period. However if they think well of reconsidering their decision I shall be glad to assist them.

Since last I was in Ross I have been in Communication with the Engineers of the Ballinaclae W. W. now in Course of Construction and have obtained some very useful information re the working of oil engines for pumping operations. I am on further Consideration, me decide that it would be advisable to employ such for new Rop, instead of Hydraulic Rams we will have near at hand all the necessary data to make the work a Complete success.

I expect to be in Rop in the Course of a few ~~days~~ weeks and will Call on You re the matter.

Yours Faithfully
Fitzgerald Barry

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 13th November 1895.

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Wednesday 6th November — A Weekly, and an adjourned ~~Monthly~~ Meeting of the Town Commrs held this day after ½ a clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Also — "To Consider a Matter of Public importance respecting the Labourers Dwellings in Church Lane".

Members present — Messrs —

David Murphy, Chairman, in the Chair
Patrick Kennedy
Patrick Kent
Matthew Hutchinson
Henry G. Hinson
Peter J. Byrne
Michael Hickey.

Cheques were issued for the following amounts.

131 Weekly Bill £5. 11. 10

132 Cashiers Bank of Ireland, for Irish Land Commission Years Rent
Charge due 1st November 1895, Less 6 d. Tax - 13. 3

" 133 Cashiers, Bank of Ireland, to pay Board of Public Works 30th Instalment of Loan
Principal £28. 5. 0 — Interest to 31st October 1895 £29. 14. 0 " 57. 19. 0

Receivable Order

No 110

Loans

Office of Public Works
31st October 1895

Please to Receive from New Ross Town Commissioners the Sum of £57. 19. 0 and place the same to the "General Cash Account" of the Commissioners of Public Works.

Principal £28. 5. 0
Interest to 31st Oct 95 29. 14. 0
£57. 19. 0

C. H. Braddell
Accountant

To the Cashiers of the
Bank of Ireland

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Auditors Report.

Limerick 24th October 1895.

Sir

I have the honour to report for the information of the Local Government Board that I have audited the Accounts of the New Rep Town Commissioners for the year ended 31st December last; and I forward herewith an Abstract thereof showing the Receipts and Expenditure for the Period mentioned.

A Borough Rate of one Shilling in the Pound was struck during the year, but it was not put in Course of Collection in time to admit of the Collection being Closed before the end of the year and a portion will Consequently appear in the Current years accounts; this should always be avoided if possible and I have Cautioned the Town Clerk and the Collector accordingly.

The Pipe Water rents for the years 1892 and 1893 were not Collected until the year 1894, While the rents for 1894 and 1895 will I understand be accounted for in the Accounts of the Current year; this is a Matter I have occasion to refer to on former occasions, and I must again impress on the Town Clerk how necessary it is that the rates and Pipe Water rents should be put in Course of Collection during the year in respect of which they are due, and not allowed to run into arrear as has now occurred.

One of the yearly Tenants named Thorpe is Considerably in arrear with his rent; he owes at present £96. which is far too much, and steps should be taken to recover the amount due, and if necessary

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Local Government (Ireland) Act, 34 & 35 Vict. cap. 69 — Town Commissioners for the Year ended 29th September 1894 — Abstract of Receipts and Payments under the several heads during that period.

Receipts.

	Nature of Receipts.	£	s	d
1893				
December 31st	To Balance due by Treasurer	56	1	7
1894				
December 31st	" Rents — Yearly Tenants	250	6	1
	" Labourers Dwellings	134	10	3
	" Old Weekly Tenants	26	17	6
	" Borough Rate	359	15	7
	" Pipe Water Rent	80	12	1
	" Petty Sessions Fines	22	4	3
	" Contributions from Government in aid of Sanitary Officers' Salaries	17	12	6
	" Do in Lieu of Rates	.	10	0
	" Dog Tax	12	14	3
	" Sale of Manure	43	15	6
	" County Presentments	263	16	10
	" Hire of Town Hall	2	19	0
	" Scales on Quay	1	3	0
	" Stones Sold		14	0
	" Balance due to Treasurer	77	9	1
		£ 1351	1	6

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35 Vic. Cap 109. Abstract of the Accounts of the
the 31st December 1894, Showing the Receipts and Expenditure

Expenditure.

Nature of Expenditure.

1894				
December 31st	By Town Clerks Salary	75	0	0
	" Cleansing Streets	207	17	4
	" Street Contracts	473	8	7
	" Pipe water Services	26	—	—
	" Wages	41	12	0
	" Rents Taxes and Insurance	48	2	4
	" Labourers Dwellings		16	7
	" Public Lamps	153	15	6
	" Fuel and light for Town Hall	18	8	8
	" Board of Public Works - Interest and Instalment of Loan	118	4	3
	" Audit of Accounts	4	15	—
	" Collectors Commission	38	13	7
	" Printing, Books and Stationary	2	13	11
	" Repairs of House Property	6	9	10
	" Town Clock	5	0	0
	" Miscellaneous		5	1

Sanitary Expenditure.

	" Water Supply	63	15	8
	" Salaries and Wages	47	8	—
	" Sewerage	14	7	7
	" Sanitary Precautions	4	7	7
		1351	1	6

I Certify the foregoing to be a true Abstract of the Receipts and Expenditure of the New Rop Town Commissioners for the Year ended 31st December 1894.

Dated this 16th day of October 1895.

Courtney Croker
Auditor.

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and if necessary the matter should be placed in the hands of the Solicitor to the Town Commissioners, some of the Weekly Tenants also are Yearly in arrear

The Accounts Generally require more attention from the Town Clerk, he is very dilatory in Writing them up, and I was Compelled to adjourne the Audit for a day to admit of their being Closed so that I Could Audit them, for the Current Year not a single figure has yet been entered in the Ledger, and I regret having to report that his duties Generally are not Satisfactorily discharged

I am Sir

Your obedient Servant

Courtney Croker

The Secretary

Local Government Board

Dublin.

For Abstract see page

Ordered — That the Clerk be Careful in the future, to avoid the Causes of Complaint mentioned in the Auditor's Report, and also, to act on and Carry out all the Suggestions Contained therein.

Ordered — That R Thorpe be Written to drawing his attention to previous orders respecting the Continued arrears of his rent that he be furnished with a Copy of the paragraph

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in the Auditors Report referring to the amount of rent due by him. Also that he be informed that unless the areas are soon lessened Considerably, the Commissioners will be obliged to act on the Auditors direction,, to hand the Matter over to the Solicitor to the Commissioners to have the rent Collected.

Street Inspectors Report — I have to state that Mrs Power in Bridge street is Complaining of not getting enough of pipe Water for the last week. The Water has got lower in the Tanks as the Springs are Closing up very much for the past ten days. I Called to Mrs Power and told her so. She was thinking it was the Water pipe was Wrong

There are five heaps of Manure in the Commissioners Yard for Sale.

The pump in Michael street got out of repair on this week. I Called on the Contractor and he put it in repair.

The pump in Neville street got out of repair on this week and I Called on the Contractor and he has put it in Working Order.

A proposal was read from John Cheevers Shallows Rark for one heap of Manure at 22/6 —

Manure

Ordered — That John Cheevers proposal for one heap of Manure, at 22/6 per heap be accepted.

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Ordered — That the four heaps of Manure on hands be advertised for Sale.

The following was read.

Johnstown New Rop.

Dear Mr Tobin

I would ask you to be good enough to Convey to the Town Commissioners my feelings of Sincere thankfulness to them for their thoughtful resolution of sympathy with My family and myself at the loss of My dear Mother.

Please assure them we appreciate fully their Kindness in our time of trouble.

For Yourself — I thank you very much indeed for your own words of Sympathy

Very sincerely Yours
John Butler

Mr John Tobin.

A Communication was read from Mr A. Cullen, New Rop — saying — Kindly let me know if you would be disposed to let portion of the Premises in Marsh Lane known as the old Brewery Yard for the purpose of storing Cut stone for the new Parish Church in Course of Erection — terms &c

Ordered — That Messrs — P. Kennedy
H. Hutchinson
H.

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Peter J. Byrne
H. Gr. Hinson, and ~~the Chairman~~ be appointed a Committee to meet at 4 oclock on Monday to inspect the Yard, and fix on a part of it for McCullen to place the stones, and to fix the rent for the same.

The following was read.

Arts and Crafts Society of Ireland.
7 Leinster Street, Dublin October 30th 1895

J. Tobin Esqr:
Town Clerk New Ross.

Dear Sir,

We are in receipt of your Courteous letter relative to the Civic ornaments and ancient documents of the Corporation of New Ross.

Our Committee have made arrangements for the safety in transit of all contributions sent for exhibition. At the same time they are most anxious to fall in with any views the various Corporate bodies may suggest on the subject.

You will therefore let us Know at an early date the views of Your Council with regard to the transmission of their Regalia &c. If the Corporation of New Ross are in possession of the portrait of the Town (White) who was the recipient of the Charter of James II it would be an attractive addition to the Municipal loan. It was painted by the artist Van Engel.

As the New Ross Collection is said to be one

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one of the best preserved and most interesting in Ireland. We are very desirous of securing it. Awaiting your reply:

In all Your Wishes
We remain faithfully
The Executive Committee
The Arts and Crafts Society
R. C. Orpen, Secretary

Ordered — That the following Municipal exhibits be sent to the "Arts and Crafts Society of Ireland" Royal University Buildings Earlsfort Terrace Dublin, on receiving a written guarantee from the Earl of Mayo and the Right Honourable the Lord Mayor of Dublin, that they will be returned free of expense within fourteen days after the termination of the Exhibition, and in the same Condition as they are now in, to the Chairman of the New Ros Town Commissioners —

— One old Seal said to have been used by King John when his own was lost.

One Original Charter from James II to the Town of New Ros, on vellum

One translation of Same

One old Mace, of the time of one of the Edwards, or of Elizabeth marked E. R.

One large Mace — 1690 — presented by the Earl of Anglesey to the Corporation of New Ros.

Three

Volumes of Minutes of the Proceedings of the Corporation of New Ross. — Commencing August 1658, and ending September 1841

The Clerk asked that a Committee be appointed to direct as to the transmission of the Municipal Exhibits when the Guarantee would be received.

Ordered — That Messrs — M. Hutchinson, H. G. Nixon and the Chairman be appointed a Committee to direct as to the preparation and transmission of the Maces, Seal and Minutes &c to the Arts and Crafts Society of Ireland.

The Clerk produced a Document left at the office by James Hennessy to be signed by the Chairman of the Town Commissioners in favour of his application for a licence for the House he occupies from the Town Commissioners at the Fair Green in Irishtown.

The document was not signed but it was Unanimously Resolved — That Messrs — Colfer & Lyttle be requested to appear before the Magistrates at the next Licensing Sessions to advocate the Granting of a Certificate to James Hennessy, to enable him to procure an excise Licence for the House and Premises which he holds as Tenant under the Town Commissioners at the Fair Green in the Irishtown.

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The Chairman stated that a Deputation — R. C. Brehon J.P., R Tyndall J.P. and the Rev W. Wilkinson, had Waited on him to request that the Space opposite the St. Marys Church would not be narrowed by the building of the Artizans Dwellings. That he (Chairman) had informed the Deputation, that of himself he Could not give a reply to the request of the Deputation, but that he would engage that if the Deputation would attend a Meting of the Lawn Commissioners, that their application would receive the best attention and that the Commissioners would do any thing they legally could do to meet the views of the Deputation

Ordered — That the meeting be adjourned to 12 Oclock Noon Friday 8th November 1895 — To receive and hear a Deputation on behalf of the Protestant Rectory of St. Marys Church respecting the Space of ground opposite the St. Marys Church — Also — That the Clerk Write to the Members of the foresmentioned Deputation — Messrs R.C. Brehon J.P. R Tyndall J.P. and the Rev. W. Wilkinson informing them that the Meeting of the Commissioners will be Called by Notice to meet at 12 Oclock Noon on Friday to hear the Views of the Deputation respecting

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respecting the Space opposite St Marys Church.

A Communication was read from Mrs Sullivan Quay Street — saying — I propose to take the heap of bending stones which the Lower Commissioners have on hands in the John Street quarry, if you will sell them in bulk.

My workman says there is 40 tons Your man says there is fifty

I will pay you £2.10.0 for the lot if you will accept it.

The proposal was not accepted.

The Clerk was directed to inform Mrs Sullivan that the Canons would sell them on her original proposal on which she took some of the stones — at 1/6 per ton.

A Note was read from Mrs Catherine Sheehan Quay Street, thanking the Lower Commissioners for allowing her to pass through their Yard and for allowing her a Key to do so.

The following was read

Office of Public Work, Custom House Dublin
5th November 1895.

H. W. Clarkes.

Sir,

I beg to inform you that the Board are now prepared to issue the

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the first instalment £400 of the loan of £578. 16. 4 on receiving from You a requisition for the amount, signed by the Chairman, and Countersigned by You as provided for in the Resolution of the Commissioners dated 24th July 1895.

I am Sir
Your obedient Servant
O. H. Braddell
Accountant

To The Town Clerk
New Ross.

The Meeting was adjourned to 12 Oclock Noon Friday 8th November 1895.

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Friday 8th November – An Adjourned Meeting of the Town Commissioners held this day at 12 Oclock Noon to hear a deputation respecting the Space of Ground opposite the "the Saint Marys Church."

Members present Mess^rs –
David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
James Dowling
Peter I. Byrne
Edward Walsh
Patrick Hunt.

The following Gentlemen appeared as the deputation
The Rev Mr Wilkinson, R.C. Buchan J.P.
and G. Moran

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Object

The Rev. Mr Wilkinson introduced the ~~subject~~ of the Deputation.

~~At the~~ termination of the meeting the Clerk asked the Rev. Mr Wilkinson ~~to~~ give at his leisure, ~~give~~ a Synopsis of the statement he had made on behalf of the Deputation to the meeting, to be inserted on the Minutes of the Meeting.

The Rev. Mr Wilkinson promised to write the Synopsis as requested.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 13th November 1895.

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Wednesday 13th November A meeting of the Town Commissioners acting as the New Rop Urban Sanitary Authority held this day at ½ O'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Public Health (Ireland) Act 1878.

Present Lepas—

David Murphy, Chairman, in the Chair
Henry G. Hinson
Matthew I. Finn
Patrick Kennedy
William Murphy (took the Com^rs Declaration)
Matthew Hutchinson
John Meehan

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Peter I. Byrne
James Dowling

Cheques were issued for the following Amounts

134 Sanitary Weekly Bill —— £0.16.10
136 John Tobin Ex. S. Officer 1/4 Salary due 5th October "95 4.13.9

Sanitary Report

No 717 I Hereby report to you that I again visited the Commissioners Yard in Marsh Lane and found it greatly improved since my last inspection. The Yard had been Cleaned and levelled and the cesspool Complained of removed and a free outlet given to the Sewerage but as the Yard is in such close proximity to houses in Marsh Lane, I do not Consider it ~~equitable~~ a Suitable place for storing manure and refuse matter and I would recommend that a Yard be procured for the purpose farther removed from dwellings.

13th November 1895. P. I. Meehan
Medical Officer of Health.

Mr Hinson Submitted the following –

On reading the Medical Officers Report, inasmuch as no Convenient Yard Can be procured elsewhere –

It is proposed by Mr Hinson
Seconded by Mr Kennedy –

That

no manure or refuse of an unsanitary

nature

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nature be brought into the Yard and except the dust and sweepings of the Streets by the Street Inspector or labourers in the Commissioners employment. Passed unanimously

The following was read.

No 49, 138: 1895.
New Ross (Town).

Local Government Board
Dublin, 6th November 1895.

Sir,

The Local Government Board for Ireland acknowledge the receipt on the 2nd Instant of Minutes of proceedings of the New Ross Urban Sanitary Authority on the 24th ultimo, containing an entry of a Resolution proposing to postpone the question of adopting "the water supply from the Mandlin Stream" for twelve Months, and the Board desire to state that they have referred this entry to their Medical Inspector Dr Stafford, who observes as follows:—

"It is to be hoped that the
" Sanitary Authority will reconsider their
" determination to postpone action with regard
" to the water supply of New Ross, for twelve
" Months. A supply of pure water is urgently
" required for this Town, and the Sanitary Authority
" by their former action have shown that
" they consider a Supply necessary"

Under these circumstances the Board request that the Sanitary Authority will be

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be good enough to reconsider the matter at a meeting specially convened for the purpose.

I am
Sir
Yours Obedient Servant

To John Robin Esqr
Executive Sanitary Officer D. J. MacSheahan
New Rds. Assistant Secretary

Notice of Motion — that in view of the Communication received from the Local Government Board relative to postponement of Mandlin stream water supply, I beg to give notice that I will propose on the 27th Instant Viz, that the Resolution passed on the 24th October last ~~be rescinded~~ postponing the further Consideration of that scheme for twelve months be rescinded

13th November 1895. Signed
M. J. Finn

Manure Yard Report — Mr Hinson and the Chairmans visit

In reference to the Manure Yard Mr Hinson stated that himself and the Chairman had visited the Manure Yard during the week and found that the Commissioners horse had been engaged in drawing black stuff, old tins &c into the manure Yard, Contrary to an Order passed some time back that the Commissioners men or horse should not be engaged in drawing any

matter from the houses or yards of private persons to the Commissioners' Yard

James Flynn the man in Charge of ~~the Commissioners Yard~~ horse for the Commissioners work, the manure yard he was Called before the meeting In reply, he states there were four loads of the stuff taken from the yard of the house that had been occupied by the late W.P. Doyle in South Street. He said it was Ashes, papers &c which been removed from the ~~Street~~ yard and deposited in the Street by Men Working in the house that he had been directed to draw the stuff by Mr Redmond Street Inspector.

See Minutes 1st August for the ord referred to

The Order referred to by Mr Pearson was Leached for by the Clerk but he did not find it,

Sanitary Sub Officers Report — I got the stench trap at the Arch taken up and the main sewer opened leading from Conduit lane to the Quay and found it Clear and not stopped. Also, the Outlet from Mr Samuel Roughs Yard to the main sewer was found to be Clear.

I served Mr Meehan with a Sanitary Notice Calling his attention to the Yard in Mark Lane to see if the manure taken to the Yard from the streets and lanes to be made up in heaps is Causing any Nuisance.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 20th November 1895.

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Wednesday 13th November — A Weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and ~~Street~~ Committee held this day, ~~to~~ ~~Consider~~ pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 — Also "To Consider an application from a Deputation respecting the Space opposite St. Marys Church."

Members present — Mess^rs —

David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Henry G. Hinson
Matthew I. Finn
Patrick Kennedy
William Murphy (took the Commissioners Declaration)
~~Matthew Hutchinson~~
John Meehan
Peter J Byrne
James Dowling

Cheques were issued for the following amounts

135 Weekly Bill ——— £5.11.0
137 M. Ennis Wexford, for Chemul breeks for Footpaths 2.5.10
138 P. M. Egan, Borough Treasurer Kilkenny
Rent Charge due 1st May last ~~Inst~~ 1.3.9

Street Inspectors Report — I visited the House of Mrs Rawer Bridge Street on Tuesday and this day at the time the water was turned to the Yard. There was a good Run of Water in the Pipe sufficient for a Supply for the house.

The following were read.

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Arts and Crafts Society of Ireland
7 Leinster street Dublin, November 8th 1895

L. Lobain Esqr
Dear Sir

Will you Kindly express to the Lower Commissioners the thanks of the Committee of "Arts and Crafts" for the favour of their loan to the forth Coming Exhibition. The needful letter of Guarantee will be duly forwarded. If not trespassing too much may I ask you to have a Suitable Case made to receive the Laces and Manuscripts you have so Kindly loaned and Lend me Bill of expenses which will be remitted.

I am respectfully
R.C. Orpen
Secretary.

Arts and Crafts Society of Ireland.
7 Leinster street Dublin, Nov. 12th 1895

The Town Clerk
New Ross.

Dear Sir

We are hopeful of your Kindly reply to our request regarding the Civic ornaments of New Ross Corporation

In Case your Council Consents to the lending of them an Insurance will be effected to the Value placed on them.

The Councils of Londonderry, Limerick. Belfast Kilkenny &c as well as the Town of Kinsale, Callan &thy as also all the Charters Colleges have fallen in with our request

Sincerely yours
R.C. Orpen Secretary

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Proposed by Mr Finn
Seconded by Mr Hinson—

That we respectfully request the Military Authorities not to remove their Fire Engine from the Town, as in Case of fire it would be badly needed here owing to the Engine Owned by the Town Commissioners being of very little if any use should a fire break out. Passed Unanimously

In reference to the Application from the Deputation respecting the Space in front of St. Marys Church the Clerk stated that at the Conclusion of the meeting held on the 8th Inst. he asked the Rev Mr Wilkinson who spoke for the Deputation if he would Kindly write a Synopsis of his statement at the meeting and he said he would do so. When he (Clerk) Called to the Rev Mr Wilkinson and he replied that he had been very busy during the Week and had not time to write it. He said he (Clerk) could write his recollections of his statement.

The Clerk said he had expected the Synopsis of the statement until late in the evening before the Meeting— That he did not feel able to recollect what

ought to be a Correct statement.

The Chairman gave his recollection of the principal points in the Statement made by the Rev Mr Wilkinson.

Mr Kennedy also gave his recollections of it.

Ordered — That the Clerk write to the Rev Mr Wilkinson asking him to kindly write a Synopsis of his statement at the meeting held on the 8th Inst. respecting the space opposite the St Marys Church.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 20th November 1895.

1895 — November 20th

Wednesday 20th November — A Meeting of the Town Commissioners acting as the new Rop Urban Sanitary Authority held this day at ½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Public Health (Ireland) Act 1878

Present — Messrs —

David Murphy Chairman in the Chair.
Henry G. Hinton
Patrick Kennedy
James Dowling
Matthew Hutchinson
Patrick Hunt

Matthew

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Matthew & Finn
John Meehan

139 the Sanitary Weekly Bill amounts to £0.17.0

Sanitary Sub Officers Report — Shane & State I had the men for four half nights at Watching at the Stench trap in Bridge street and the Servants that Came with House buckets Went down to the river and discharged them into it.

I got the branch water pipe Cut off from the house occupied by Matthew Brien on the Quay. I got notice from Mr Brien to do so.

I Got the Channel in Myles's Pound Cleaned up on this day (19th November) down to the Gullet at the Gate

I Called to the Houses in North street Bridge street, Quay street, South street Charles street and the Quay that have the pipe Water taken in and they are all getting a good supply. No Complaints from any House.

Proposed by Mr Hinton
Seconded by Mr Dowling — That a Sanitary Minute Book be procured through Mr Dinneen, as soon as possible Passed Unanimously

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 27th November 1895.

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Wednesday 20th November — A weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners ~~acting as the Town Rep to~~ held this day to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854

Members present — Messrs —

David Murphy Chairman in the Chair.
Henry G. Kinsan
Patrick Kennedy
James Dowling.
Matthew Hutchinson
Patrick Hunt
Matthew J. Finn
John Meehan.

140 The Weekly Bill amounting to £5.15.0 passed

J Stacey house repaired

A Communication was read from James Stacey Tenant in one of the Commissioners houses — saying — I beg to draw your attention to the state of my House. The roof is in a very bad state It is unfit for human habitation with the Rain Coming through — Also — the laths and rendering. I wish You got it done as soon as possible, the weather being so wet. Also, the piggery would want to be repaired.

J Staceys House Committee to inspect

Ordered — That Messrs — J. Dowling M Hutchinson P.J. Byrne and the Chairman, the Committee that directed and Supervised the Work done at Butlers house Fair Gate be requested to inspect staceys house and point out the Work required to be done to the house &c.

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Street Inspector's Report — I have to state
Insprs Report that a boatload of limestones and a
boatload of Gravel will be required
for the Bridge and for the footpaths on
the sides as the ~~sand~~ the broken stones
in stock will not do for the Bridge

The Rockeveau side of the Bridge is not
Cleaned or repaired for a long time and it is
in a very bad way for want of Cleaning and
Repairs. There is no Contractor for the other
side of the bridge

Rolling trucks On Wednesday evening last I found
John Spencer and Patrick Keiley rolling a
truck and boxes on the footpath at west side
of South street. I took down their names and
and have them summoned for Friday next.

Limestones Boat for Bridge Ordered Ordered — That a boatload of limestones
be ordered from Daniel Cody. That a boatload
of Gravel be ordered from P. Carroll.

Kilkenny side of Bridge Clerk & Brite Co surveyor Ordered — That the Clerk write to the County
Surveyor of the County Kilkenny stating that
Complaints have been ~~frequently~~ made frequently by the public
Respecting the State of the Kilkenny end of the
Bridge, particularly in rainey weather, and
request that some means be taken to
have the Roadway and footpaths of the
Bridge Kept in proper condition.

Ordered -

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Rowes and Dempsey Obstruction

Ordered — That the Clerk write to Messrs Rowes & Dempsey South Street, stating that Complaints have been made about boxes piled up so high at the junction of South Street with Charles Street, which sometimes obstruct the view of persons driving Cars from one street to the other, so that it often happens that there is ~~often~~ danger of Cars being driven against each other, and to request them to discontinue the obstruction Complained of.

Ordered — That the heaps of manure on hands be advertised for sale

The following was read.

New Rd. 28th November 1895.

To John Gobin

Dear Sir,

A Cullen letting part of the yard

I am in receipt of your favour of yesterday, and in reply beg to say that I am satisfied to accept the offer of the Commissioners re letting of portion of the Yard Marsh Lane for the purpose of piling Cut stone at 2/- per week provided that they agree to have the tenancy determinable by Six Weeks notice on either side, and that the ground be Cleaned up within the Coming week and that I get some Assurance that the public will not have access to said portion of ground for fear of injury to Cut stone by

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Committing a nuisance or otherwise

Yours faithfully

Andrew Cullen

Ordered —

A Cullen
Letting part of the manure yard

That the Commissioners agree to let the part of the yard in March Lane from the right hand side of the gate to the opposite wall, to A Cullen at 2/- per week but Cannot give a Guarantee about the Public entering the Yard or Committing nuisance there but they will the Commissioners will do all they can to prevent nuisance there. They are also satisfied that the tenancy be terminated on six weeks notice at either side.

Notice Board Manure yard

Ordered — That a board be fixed up on the front of the gate with the following words largely printed thereon — "No admittance except on business Persons found Committing Nuisance here will be prosecuted."

Arts & Crafts Society

The following Communications were read from R.C. Orpen Secretary Arts and Crafts Society of Ireland 7 Leinster Street Dublin 16th November 1895 Saying — As the arrangements for the reception of the Civic ornaments from the different Cities of Ireland

are

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are Completed, May I ask You to forward the articles Kindly loaned by Your Council.

When advising the despatch of Case please send a Memorandum of any expenses in Connection with the packing &c. It would be also advisable to place in Case a detailed description of the Contents &c

The Exhibition opens Tuesday 26th and as it will take some time to arrange the insignia — We are anxious to have all delivered by the 20th inst.

Again thanking the Corporation for their Kind Co-operation.

I am faithfully

R. C. Orpen

Hon. Sec.

Arts & Crafts

Another dated 17th November 1895. — saying — The Executive Committee of the Arts and Crafts Society of Ireland requests those who have Kindly undertaken to lend objects representative of Irish Arts and Crafts in the past to fill in, and, at their earliest Convenience to forward to the Secretary, R. Caulfield Orpen, Esqr 7. Leinster — Street, Dublin the enclosed Form.

A floating Policy has been effected with the Fine Art and General Insurance Company limited which Covers all exhibits in transit to and from the Exhibition, and while in the Exhibition building.

The

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The Conditions of the Policy require that all articles sent must be packed by an experienced packer; otherwise loss or damage due to accidents in transit will not be made good by the Company.

The Society recommends that Messrs. Walsh and Son Cabinet makers Bachelor's Walk Dublin be employed.

In filling up the enclosed Form owners are urgently desired to give, as nearly as possible the real value of the Objects sent and not to allow personal or Sentimental Considerations to effect their estimates. The Insurance Company has agreed to accept the values.

By Order of the Committee
R. Caulfield Orpen
Secretary.

Arts & Crafts Exhibits ready if Guarantee asked for is received

Ordered — That the Clerk write to the Secretary of the Arts and Crafts Society stating that the Municipal Exhibits are ready for transit awaiting the Guarantee asked for in letter from the Town Commissioners, dated 7th November 1895.

The following was read.

South St. New Rds. Nov. 19th 1895.

Houses Church Lane

Dear Sir

I have to acknowledge the

Kanes Church Lane

receipt of Your Courteous letter of the 18th Inst., and in reply, beg simply to ~~state that the~~ Vestry objects altogether to the slightest interference with the piece of ground in question.

Letter Rev Mr Williamson

Yours truly
W. T. Williamson

John Gobin Esqr
Town Clerk, New Ross.

Clerk to get the plans Specification of the houses

After some Conversation on the subject, the Clerk was directed to get the plans, specification and measurements of the houses to be built in Church Lane from Messrs - Colfer & Gethin and Submit same at next meeting.

The following was read.

Offices New Ross 24th Oct. 1895.

Law Costs
Letter Mr Colfer
& Bills

Dear Sir,

As requested, I have prepared the particulars of the costs incurred to me by the Town Commissioners, and send them to you herewith. They consist of two Bills, one being for General Costs incurred since my appointment in 1886, and the other for Costs incurred in Connection with the Labourers Dwellings Scheme.

The first Bill amounts to £121-17-11 of which £19-2-7 is Cash outlay, and £102-15-4 profit Costs which shews that the average professional Charges come to only about £11 a year.

The second bill amounts to £33-11-5

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a Sum which was much increased by the frequent Changes in the Scheme. Ordinarily speaking these Costs should be Taxed but as you have at present a Commissioner who is a Solicitor of great experience and admitted Competency I would suggest referring the Bills to him for taxation which would avoid some expense and and great trouble and inconvenience Caused by a Taxation in Dublin.

Yours faithfully
John R Colfer

I Tobin Esqr
Town Clerk Fred Rop

Law Costs
The Sent to the Auditor

Ordered — That the Bills with Mr Colfers letter be sent to the Auditor with a request that he will be so good as to state for the information of the Commissioners if he will be satisfied with having Mr Colfers Bills examined and Taxed by an experienced and Competent Solicitor who is a Member of the Town Commission and who will perform the duties free of Cost. That the Commissioners believe that the Taxing will be exactly and fairly performed, and will be a saving of expense to the Commissioners and their Solicitor and that the Taxation will be as efficiently performed as if a more expensive and troublesome

troublesome

troublesome mode were adopted.

J Fleming asks for assistance

A Communication was read from James Fleming a man who had been in the employment of the Commissioners but disemployed on account of not being able to work — asking for some relief as he was in distress.

Ordered — That James Fleming be informed that the Commissioners Cannot legally expend any of the funds in relief.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 27th December 1895.

21st November

1895 — November 21st Thursday November — A meeting of the Committee appointed to inspect James Staceys house and point out the work required to be done at the house, & be held this day at 11 O'clock A.M.

Mesrs — M. Hutchinson & L. Dowling assembled. The two members proceeded to inspect Staceys house and reported — We visited Staceys house and found two breaks on rere of the roof, and parts of the inside of the roof, requiring the defective rendering to be repaired.

We recommend that new laths be put in place of defective laths. The parts of the roof

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roof requiring repairing to be mended with new slates.

That ~~the~~ old rendering be taken off ~~those~~ the back part of the roof, to be replaced by new rendering.

Visited the house occupied by Thomas Fitzharris and found in South side of roof a leakage and recommend that it be repaired. Also, that the door hinges &c be repaired.

That a proper flag be fixed over the gullet outside the houses, to prevent danger to people passing that may the flag that had been over the gullet was removed by some one.

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Wednesday 27th November, a Meeting of the Town Commissioners acting as the New Ros Urban Sanitary Authority held this day at 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Public Health Act 1878- Also To ~~rescind~~ Consider on a notice of Motion — "That the "Resolution passed on the 24th October "1895, adjourning the Consideration of "the Mudlin Water Supply Scheme "be adjourned for twelve Months" be rescinded. Members present — Messrs — David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Patrick Kennedy
William Murphy
Matthew Hutchinson
Peter Murphy
Peter J. Byrne
John Meehan
Matthew L. Flinn

141 The Sanitary Weekly Bill amounts to £0.11.0

Sanitary Sub Officers Report — Visited the Lanes and back Yards of High Hill and Mullawn and found the yards clean Manure removed only in back Yards of house occupied by Mr Catherine Brien and she promised to have the Manure removed on next week. The number of ~~Yards~~ Yards visited — Twenty Seven.

Mr Stephenson North Street the occupier of the ~~the~~ store told me he will Keep on the pipe

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pipe mater that is Coming from the
main pipe in the Street.

Hough Brothers South Street in the house
lately occupied by Patrick Doyle states
they will Kick on the pipe mater that is
Coming from the main pipe in the Street

In accordance with notice of
Motion —

Proposed by Mr Finn
Seconded by Mr Meehan

That the
Resolution passed on the 24th October last
postponing the Consideration of the
Maudlin Stream Water Supply be affirmed
for the period of twelve months, be rescinded

Proposed by Mr Kennedy
Seconded by Mr Hutchinson — As an Amend-
-ment — That the Resolution be not rescinded.

On a Roll being taken there
appeared for the Amendment
Messrs — Kennedy and Hutchinson — 2
Against — Messrs — M. Murphy, P. Murphy
— Byrne, Meehan, Finn and the Chairman - 6

The Amendment was lost.

The Resolution was put with the result
that the Six members who voted against
the Amendment voted for the
Resolution

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Resolution and the two members who voted for the amendment voted against the Resolution.

The Resolution was declared Carried.

The Executive Sanitary Officer reported that Mr Barry had Called to the Office that day, and in reference the water Supply scheme said he would Come to Rop to any Meeting Called by the Commissioners respecting the question and give any ~~explanatory~~ explanatory information respecting the Specification and Plan that might be required.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 4th December 1895.

1895 — Wednesday 27th November — A Weekly
November 27th Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after ½ 2 oclock P. M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854

Members present — Messrs —
David Murphy, Chairman in the Chair
Patrick Kennedy
William Murphy
Matthew Hutchinson

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Peter Murphy
Peter J. Byrne
John Meehan
Matthew J. Finn

1442 The weekly Bill amounting to £5.10.0

Street Inspectors Report — I got the heavy stones and the Kerb stones removed in the yard in March Lane and that part of the yard is now ready for for Mr Cullen on the West side.

Mr Murphy Foreman got on this day from the Commissioners Yard nine hundred and half of Crossing blocks for the paving on the footpath at his Yard and Gate in John Street.

I have to state that there is 48 loads of Covering flags in the Commissioners Yard now drawing from John Street quarry. There was six loads of flags for Covering the Main Sewer in March Lane. There was seven loads of flags for the Covering of the Main Sewer in Roxboro — Cove

The Clerk Submit the Plans &c received from McAlpin of the houses to be built in Church Lane.

The Clerk was directed to bring the letter received from the Rev. Mr Wilkinson

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to Mr Colfer and give him an account of the application made to the meeting of the Town Commissioners by the Deputation, and ask him to advise the Commissioners respecting the position of the scheme for the houses in Church Lane.

The following was read

From Major General John Joyce C. B.
Commanding Cork District
To John Tobin Esqr
Town Clerk, New Ross.

Cork 25th November 1895.

Sir

In reply to your letter of 18th inst. asking that the Military Fire Engine now at New Ross might not be removed from the Town. I beg to inform You that as the said Fire Engine is required at another Military Station in the District, I regret I am unable to accede to the request Contained in the Resolution of the Town Commissioners.

I have the honour to be
Sir
Your obedient Servant
John G. Wilson
D.A.A.G. pro Major General
Commanding Cork District

An application was read from J. Murphy John Street asking the Commissioners to sell him some of the sets left after finishing

Ammunition – Sgt Howard was accepted from John O'Reilon Gundenbey for two keys by Mr Hamme @ 23/ per keg.

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finishing the Crossings. to pave the entrance to the gate of his Yard in John Street.

Ordered — That the number of Setts required be given to J. Murphy, he to pay the Cost price of them delivered in New Ros. the Setts given to him to be weighed.

An application was read from Michael Sullivan, John Street asking ~~about~~ for about two dozen of the Setts to pave the entrance to his Yard in John Street and also to allow the Commissioners man Michael Cahill to do the work and that he would pay whatever the Commissioners wish to ask for the Setts and also for the man.

Ordered — That the Setts required by M Sullivan, be given to him at their Cost price to the Commissioners, and also that he (M. Sullivan) pay M. Cahill for the time he is engaged in fixing the Setts.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 4th December 1895.

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1895 — Wednesday 4th December.

December 4th A meeting of the Town Commissioners acting as the Newry Urban Sanitary Authority held this day at 4 o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the ~~Towns Improvement~~ Public Health (Ireland) Act 1878.

Present — Mayor —

David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Henry G Hinson
Patrick Kennedy
Peter I. Byrne
Matthew I. Flynn
William Murphy

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December 3rd Sanitary Sub Officers Report — I got the Outlet of the Main Sewer in Marsh Lane at the Quay front Cleaned up.

December 3rd I got lime put over the opened drain in Constable Jones back yard at the Hill School on this day. ^ work done in the back yards of the houses in Barrack Lane belonging to Mr Deane.

I have to state that I visited the houses and back yards in Bewley street on the west side. I found the manure removed and the yards clean. The number of yards Visited — Thirty five.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 11th December 1895.

1895 — Wednesday 2nd December — A Meeting of the Newry Urban Sanitary Authority was adjourned to this day at 4 o'clock P.M. Wednesday 4th December 1895.

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Wednesday 4th December — A weekly and a Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after ½ O'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Members present — Mayor David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Henry G. Kinsella
Patrick Kennedy
Peter I. Byrne
Matthew J Finn
William Murphy

144 The Clerks Bill amounting to £5.6.2 was read.

The following was read.

County Surveyor's Office, Kilkenny
2nd December 1895.

The Town Clerk
New Ross

Dear Sir

Replying to yours of the 27th ultimo I have to say that there is no Contract on the length of road you direct my attention to, nor was there any application made at the last Presentment Sessions to have it repaired, and on inquiring the reason of this I was told that the Town Commissioners of New Ross cleaned this length of road themselves.

I should be glad to know if this is not so, but in any Case as there is no Contract I Cannot do anything in the matter

Yours

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until Spring Assizes.

I am

Yours Very truly

A H Burden

Ordered — That the Clerk inform the County Surveyor of Kilkenny, that the Town Commissioners do not Clean or repair the Kilkenny Side of the New Rop Bridge, and did not do so since they had a Contract for doing so under the late County Surveyor for the County Kilkenny, Mr Burtchaell.

The following was read.

County Surveyors Office Wexford

November 29th 1895

Dear Sir

I beg to draw your attention to the approaches of New Rop Bridge and to request that Your Commissioners will be good enough to sheet same with finely broken Stones forthwith as per Contract.

Would Your also kindly inform me Whether Your Commissioners intend to Continue scavenging the streets as heretofore, as I believe it devolves on them and not on the road Contractor to do so.

James Faithfully

Henry Metcalfe

County Surveyor

Wexford

L Tobin Esqr

Clerk to Town Commissioners

New Rop.

Ordered

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Ordered— That the County Surveyor (W Webster) be informed that limestones are on hands and preparing to be used on the approaches of the new Rop. Bridge &c as directed.

That in reference to the Scavenging of the Streets, the Commissioners Consider it would be unlawful for them to interfere with the surface of a street in the hands of another Contractor it being the duty of that Contractor to do that work by the terms of his Contract.

The following was read.

Contribution in lieu of Rates.

Treasury, S. W.

29th November 1895

Sir,

I am directed by the Lords' Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to forward to you the enclosed Form and to request that You will cause the blanks in it to be filled up and the Form to be signed and returned to this Office at Your earliest Convenience.

I am
Sir
Your obedient Servant
Vincent Griffiths

The form referred to was annexed

Ordered— That the form annexed be

Omission— Mr Hinson brought under notice of the Meeting the Number of Lorries rolling on the Foot Paths. the Surveyor was called before the Meeting. A Conversation was held with the Surveyor in Watching the Lorries rolled on the Foot Paths and from before 9 o'clock to 10 o'clock A.M. Ordered— That Michael Curran be called before the Meeting on the arrival of the Steamer from the Continent and the Surveyor directed to prosecute for doing such.

Lorries on Foot Paths.

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filled and returned as required.

The Meeting was adjourned to
Wednesday 11th December 1895.

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Wednesday 11th December – A meeting of the Town Commissioners acting as the new Rds Urban Sanitary Authority held this day at 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Public Health (Ireland) Act 1878.

Present – Messrs –
David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Patrick Kennedy
Henry G. Hinton
Peter L. Byrne
James Dowling
Peter Murphy
Patrick Hunt
Matthew S. Flinn.

145 Cheques were issued for the following amounts
Sanitary Weekly Bill —— £0.16.0
147 Le Grand & Sutcliff, Pump heat for Charlemont 2-2-0
148 B. Graham, piping for Rosbercon pump — 2-11-0
to Sanitary business transacted.

The Meeting was adjourned
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Wednesday 11th December. A Weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners ~~&c &c~~ and Street Committee held this day after 7½ Oclock P. M.

Members present — Mess^rs —
David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Patrick Kennedy
Henry G. Hinson
Peter J. Byrne
James Dowling
Peter Murphy
Patrick Hunt
Matthew J. Finn

146 The Weekly Bill amounted to £6.0.0

W. Freeman attended with samples of Wall paper for the Office. A sample was selected.

A proposal was read from N. Cooney for repair of J. Staceys' house at Fair Gate, as follows — To repair the roof and render it with two Coats of Mortar and put in any laths that are broken for the Sum of Two Pounds five Shillings

Or to State back of same house for five pounds ten Shillings with 13x7 States and new laths and Lathes all for £5.10.0

Ordered — That N. Cooneys proposal proposal be accepted if he performs the work for for One Pound. ~~&~~ N. Cooney declines

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to do the work for that sum that Edward Monahan be employed to do the work at ~~the~~ Tracey house by the days work

Ordered — That the Street Inspector inspect the Streets of the Town and Report on their Condition to each Weekly Meeting.

Ordered — That the Clerk write to Mr Webster the County Surveyor, Wexford informing him that many parts of the Streets and the Quay are in such a Condition ~~that~~ with Mud as to almost render them impassable to foot passengers. That a Channel has existed for some at the East side of Robert Street at the Junction with Michael Street which is a great danger to Vehicles passing that way.

A letter and Resolution was received from W Taylor Solicitor Wexford in favour of extending the time for paying the money to be borrowed from the Government for paying for land purchased by the Tenants.

Ordered — That the Consideration of Mr Taylors Communication and Resolution be deferred to next Meeting the Members to be noticed to Consider same.

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The Street Inspectors Report— I
name James Doyle, James Carroll
and Edward Dunn summoned
for Rolling trucks on the footpath
for next Fridays sederunt.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday
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December 18th— A meeting of the Town Commissi-
-oners acting as the New Rds Urban Sanitary
Authority held this day at 7½ oclock
P.M. to transact business pursuant
to the Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1878

Members present— Mess—
David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Henry G. Kinsella
Patrick Kennedy
Peter Murphy
Patrick Hunt—
Peter I. Byrne

149 The Sanitary Weekly Bill amounted £0.11.0

Sanitary Sub Officers Report— A break
down Came in the main Sewer in
Rosbercon on Saturday last. I got it opened
on Monday and Cleaned up. I brought over
flags and ~~Covered~~ got it Covered by M. Cunan.

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I visited the houses and Yards at-
North Side of Michael street. I found
Only very little manure in the yards at this time
Number of Yards visited — Eighteen

I visited the Labourers Dwellings on this
day at the Fair Gate, Bowling Green
Church Lane and William Street. I
found the Stench traps Clean. Also the
Yards. I Served all the Tenants with
a Notice at the same time.

Reports of the Medical Superintendent
Officer of Health.

No 15

During the Month of October the State of Health
of the Urban Sanitary District was very good.

G. A. Hickey
Medical Superintendent
Officer of Health.

18/12/95

No 16 During the Month of November Varicella
or Chicken pox has been prevalent within
the urban Sanitary District of New Ross.

Garret A. Hickey
Medical Superintendent Officer of Health.

The following was read.

Offices New Ross, 18th December 1895.

Dear Sir Commissioners a. Deane.

This Summons Came on for hearing
on Friday last, When owing to the Doctors
inability to attend the Case was, at his suggestion
adjourned for a fortnight. Mr Hearn Agent and
Solicitor for Defendant attended and suggested
that

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that if one of the Commissioners would go with him and the Doctor to Lee these Houses, a Settlement of the Matter would probably result. You will recollect I asked you if the Commissioners would be likely to adopt this suggestion and on your stating they would I informed the Court I would advise the Commissioners to appoint one of their number to meet Mr Kearn.

Please bring the matter under the notice of the Commissioners at their next meeting and take their directions.

The Case entirely depends on whether the absence of Privy accommodation does or does not Cause a Nuisance. The Doctor's evidence will decide this, I gather from him that he Considers the existing states of things in these houses does amount to a Nuisance.

Yours Very truly
John R. Culpeper

John Robin Esqr
Town Clerk
New Ross.

Ordered — That Mr Hinan and the Chairman meet Mr Deane or his Solicitor at French's Court and Barrack Lane at 11 O'clock A.M. Monday 23rd December to inspect and Confer as to the best means of having the Nuisance Complained of abated. That the Commissioners' men open the main Sewer in Barrack

Barrack Lane early on Monday next, for inspection.

The following was read.

Priory Place, New Ross, 18. 12. 95.

Sir,

I am instructed by Miss Mary Hickey of Marsh Lane New Ross to inform you that unless you cease from this date to cause to be deposited manure and other offensive material in the yard opposite her residence in Marsh Lane, she shall be Compelled to take legal proceedings against you for damages and to restrain you from using the yard for the deposit of such material. This letter will be made use of in any proceedings that may become necessary.

The deposit of this noxious material there has been a source of great inconvenience and loss to her and is I am informed a grave danger to the public health and I am further informed has been Condemned for use for such purpose by your own Sanitary Officers.

I am

Your obedient Servant

Wm Fras Browne

The Town Clerk

Town Commissioners

Tholsel, New Ross.

Ordered – That the Sanitary Sub Officers notice be served on Dr Meehan requesting him to inspect and report on the Sanitary

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Sanitary State of the manure Yard in March Lane.

The Meeting was adjourned to Thursday 26th December 1895 — Wednesday being Christmas Day.

1895 — December 18th — Wednesday 18th December — A Weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Strut Committee held this day after 12 o'clock P. M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 — Also — "To Consider a Resolution respecting improvement in the said Act."

Members present — Messrs —

David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Henry G. Kinsella
Patrick Kennedy
Peter Murphy
Patrick Hunt
Peter J. Byrne

150 The weekly Bill amounted to £6.13.6

The following were referred from previous to this Meeting

To the Chairman and Members of
The New Ross Town Commission.

Gentlemen,

The accompanying Copy letter

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to Mr Balfour and extracts from the Press will, I trust merit your serious attention as dealing with a vital subject.

I doubt not you will approve of the reduction Repayments as such will benefit both Landlord and Tenant. If you do so I would ask you to adopt some Resolution such as I enclose.

Prompt action on behalf of the Public Bodies throughout the Country will powerfully influence the decision of the Government and your aid is of great importance

I will take it as a favour your letting me know your decision.

I am Gentlemen

Yours faithfully

Charles Taylor

Solicitor

North Main Street Wexford

Proposed by Mr Hinson

Seconded by Mr Kennedy—

That the special attention of the Government is earnestly requested to the suggestions on the Land Act contained in Mr Taylors letter to the Chief Secretary for Ireland, as this extension of repayments recommended therein would confer a lasting benefit on the Country and we recommend that the guarantee Deposit be paid by four instalments, on at the end of each of the years

That an Official Copy of this Resolution be sent

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sent to the Premier and Chief Secretary for Ireland. Passed Unanimously

The underlined words were added to the Resolution received from Mr Taylor by Mr Hinson before proposing it.

The following were read.

County Surveyors Office Wexford, December 11th 1895

Dear Sir

Yours to hand of the 9th inst. I am glad to learn that Your Commissioners have the metalling in hands for the approaches to the Bridge.

I am of opinion that Your Commissioners would not be doing anything "unlawful" in attending to the Scavenging of the Streets as heretofore. On the Contrary, the Scavenging of the Streets still remains in their hands and is not part of the Road Contractors duty. Of Course the Road Contractor ought to clean the Spots in the Streets where he is about to Spread Metalling in the Manner as is done in the rural Contracts; but Scavenging in the Ordinary acceptation of the word is outside his duty.

I may mention that the Town Commissioners of Enniscorthy do the Scavenging of their Streets and the Road Contractor Keeps the Streets in repair, and doubtless You are aware that Your Commissioners have always done

done the scavenging of New Ross streets hitherto. I may also mention that the matter was decided in the Law Courts a few months ago with regard to a town in Ireland where the Commissioners held that the Road Contractor should do the Scavenging and the Case was decided against them. I trust your Commissioners will reconsider their decision in this matter.

Yours truly
Henry Webster
M. I. C. E.
County Surveyor

W. J. McCabe
Town Clerk, New Ross.

County Surveyor's Office Wexford.
December 17th 1895.

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of yours of the 14th Instant. I have to repeat what I stated in my letter of 11th Inst. (which has not since been acknowledged) that the cleansing of the streets of New Ross is the hands of your Commissioners and not the Contractor for the roads.

I may mention that in estimating the fair price for the Contract I did not take into consideration the Scavenging or Cleansing of the Streets. I hope to visit New Ross tomorrow (Wednesday) and shall into the matter Complained of in Robert Street. When in New Ross a Couple

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of weeks ago I noticed how negligent your Commissioners have been in regard to the Cleansing of the Streets.

Yours faithfully
Henry Webster
County Surveyor

W. John Lobin
Town Clerk
New Ross.

The Clerk stated that Mr Webster County Surveyor had called in the evening to the Office respecting the Cleansing of the Streets. Mr Webster was under the impression that the Commissioners had always Cleaned the Streets no matter who was the Contractor. That he (Clerk informed Mr Webster that the previous Contractors (Mr and Mr Kelly) had been tenants to the Town Commissioners for many years for part of their manure yard where they had deposited the scrapings of the streets. That Mr Kelly gave up possession of the yard when she was done with the Contract. That the Commissioners men do the ordinary Scavenging by sweeping Channels Lanes and Crossings as usual.

Mr Webster said he was in error on the matter and wrote the following letter, in the Office.

New Ross.

New Rop December 18th 1895

Dear Sir,

I have given instructions today to the road Contractor regarding the Cleansing of the Streets. I find I was wrong in thinking that up to this your Commissioners looked after the Scavenging. I would be obliged if your Commissioners would be good enough to Order their men, when Cleaning the road Crossings to sweep the stuff to one side of the road and not to leave it in the Carriage way as the Contractor Complains they have been in the habit of doing.

I have inspected the place Complained of in Robert Street and find the Contractor has done some repairs to the kerb and will do more.

I remain

Yours faithfully

Henry Webster

County Surveyor

W. J. McGuinn

Town Clerk

The Inspector was Called before the Meeting and instructed to have the suggestion in Mr Websters letter respecting the Crossings Carried out— To sweep the Crossings to the Side of the Roadway and not to each Side of the ~~roadway~~ Crossings.

The following was read

New Rop 18th December 1895.

W. J. McGuinn, Town Clerk.

Dear Sir,

In reply to yours of the 6th Instant,

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re letting Yard in March Lane, I beg to inform you that I am prepared to take possession as soon as you say. the place is Cleaned up and am provided with a Key of Gate which I think absolutely necessary. Yours faithfully
Andrew Cullen

Ordered — that Mr Cullen be informed that the place is Cleared in the Yard and that he be given a Key to enable him to enter the Yard when he requires to do so.

A Communication was read from Mr Burden County Surveyor Kilkenny acknowledging letter of the 9th Inst. and saying he had made arangements for having the Kilkenny side of the bridge repaired.

The following was read.

Limerick 10th December 1895

Dear Sir

In reply to your letter of the 7th instant I beg to say I cannot advise the Town Commissioners as to the manner in which their Solicitors Bill should be taxed as they must act as they deem fit in the matter. I return both Bills of Costs and Mr Calfers letter

Faithfully Yours
Courtney Croker
Rs C.

Mr Lohin
Town Clerk New Ross.

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R.I.C. - R.S. Inotice no Credit is given for Costs awarded in successful prosecutions.

Law Department
Office of Public Works, Custom House
Dublin 4th December 1895
Working of the Working Classes Act 1890.
Loan to New Rds Town Commissioners

Sir

I am directed by the Commissioners of Public Works to forward the enclosed Copy letter received from Mr Richard Callis Brehon, and I have to request that You will be so good as to furnish me with your Boards views thereon at Your earliest Convenience.

I have forwarded a Copy of your statutory declaration in support of the Town Commissioners title to Mr Brehon for his information.

Your obedient Servant
W. M. Lane

The Town Clerk
Town Commissioners Office
New Rds.

Copy letter referred to.

New Town House, New Rds 7th November 1895.

Dear Sir,

Having heard that the Town Commissioners of New Rds are negociating a loan from your Board to build houses on a plot of ground directly opposite St. Marys Church here.

I saw this plot of ground has been used for

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a Great number of years by the Parishioners of above Church for the purposes of turning their Carriages and Cars on.

It is also Commonly reported here and I believe on good authority that this plot of Ground was given to the Church by a predecessor in title of the present Col Tottenham for the purpose of turning Carriages &c in.

Now what I would respectively ask you to do is to bring this matter before your Board with the view of having further progress in the matter ~~stayed~~ stayed until full enquiry is made into it.

Yours faithfully
R. C. Brehon
L.P.

The Secretary
Board of Works Dublin.

Office of Public Works Dublin
11th December 1895

Housing of the Working Classes.

Sir,

I am directed by the Commissioners of Public Works to forward herewith Copy of a letter addressed to Mr R. C. Brehon on the question of the right of the new Pop Town Commissioners to build on a certain piece

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Piece of ground situated in the Lawn

I am Sir

Your obedient Servant

P. J. Tuohy

Secretary

The Lawn Clerk

Lawn Commissioners Office

New Rop.

Copy letter referred to.

Board of Works, Dublin

11th December 1895

Sir

I am desired by the Commissioners of Public Works to refer to your letter of the 5th Instant as to the right of the Lawn Commissioners of New Rop to build on a certain piece of ground situated in the Lawn.

The Board are advised that the question involved is one on which they have no power to make any decision and that it rests substantially between the Lawn Commissioners and those who are interested in questioning the right asserted by that body.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant

(Sgd) P. J. Tuohy

Secretary.

R. C. Burton Esqr

Newtown House New Rop

The Clerk stated that he had an interview with Mr Calfer on the subject of the labourers dwellings in Church Lane. That Mr Calfer suggested that a Committee be appointed to confer with him on the subject, as on previous occasions

Ordered-

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Ordered — That Messrs — M. Stutchinson
P. Kennedy, P. J. Byrne M. J. Finn
and the Chairman (Mr Murphy) be
appointed a Committee to Confer
when necessary with Mr Calfer on
the Subject of the Labourers Dwellings
in Church Lane

The following Draft

Offices New Rop 18th December 1895.

Dear Sir

As I understand the Auditor would not approve of any Taxation of Town Costs save by a Taxing Master I now enclose Requisitions for the Taxation of each Bill and which should be signed by the Chairman and yourself Where marked in pencil, but before signing a Resolution in the terms enclosed or similar terms should be passed.

Of Course the Undertaking to pay the Costs which is Contained in the Forms is only binding on the Commissioners as a body, and does not affect the Chairman personally

Yours very truly
John R Calfer

John Lohin Esq
Town Clerk New Rop.

The following Resolution is that referred to

re Mr Colfer's letter

Proposed by Mr Kennedy
Seconded by Mr Hunt

That our Chairman do sign and our Clerk do Counter sign the General requisitions sent us by our Solicitor, Mr John R Calfer, to have the Costs furnished by him in Connection with the Scheme for erection of Dwellings under the Housing of the working Classes Acts and also his Bill of Miscellaneous Costs Taxed by the Proper Officer.

Passed Unanimously

The Clerk was directed to ask Mr Colfer to put the two Bills in one requisition to save expense.

The following was read

Offices New Ross 16th December 1895.

Dear Sir,

We beg to inform you the Rev Elliott W. Carr has submitted to us for approval through his Solicitor a Draft Fee Farm Grant of premises at the Fair Gate known as the Tally House of which he is Lessee under a lease for lives Renewable for ever and dated 4th July 1705. Kindly bring this matter under the notice of your Board at their next meeting and ascertain is there

any

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any objection to giving the Free Farm
Grant. As at present advised
See Lee none.

Yours Very truly
Colfer & Godkin

Jno L Lee Esq
Town Clerk
New Ross.

The Consideration of the matter
was adjourned the Clerk to ascertain
particulars about the Tolly House

Proposed by D Hinchon
Seconded by D Kennedy

That the
Drapers be invited to send in tenders
to supply Linoleum sufficient to
Cover the floor of the Commission-
-ers Office and that Samples be
required at same time, stating
price per Yard. Also — to provide
a Hearth rug for the Office.

Passed unanimously

Proposed by M Hinchon
Seconded by M P. Murphy

That the
Fish house be opened on Saturdays
at 8 o'clock A.M. and the Farmers
Wives and others who attend market
for the Sale of Butter be permitted

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to use the Lane in place of standing outside in the rain and mud.

Passed Unanimously

The Meeting was adjourned to Thursday 26th December, Wednesday being Christmas Day.

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Monday 23rd December — At 11 Oclock A.M. this day, Messrs — H. G. Kinsan & D. Murphy on behalf of the Urban Sanitary Authority, met Mr W. F. Kearn Solicitor on behalf of Mr Deane, met at Barrack Lane and inspected Coust. Jones Yard, Frenchs Court and Lane of the Yards in Barrack Lane, respecting the drainage required by the Sanitary Notice served by the Sanitary Authority on Mr Deane.

Sanitary

Mr Deanes Case

The Sanitary Authority had the Main Sewer in Barrack Lane opened up at Mr Deanes premises. Messrs — Kinsan and Murphy pointed out to Mr Kearn that the only best means of abating the Nuisance would be by drainage from Mr Deane's premises to the Main Sewer in Barrack Lane.

No Conclusion was arrived at, Mr Kearn being unable to express any Opinion until he would report to and Confer with Mr Deane on the Subject.

The Committee pointed out to Mr Kearn that the only Cure, or abatement of the Nuisance would

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would be by drainage from French's Court and the yards of the houses below French's Court to the Main Sewer in Barrack Lane, which reaches up to the Mr Deane's property.

1895 — December 26th

Thursday 26th December — A meeting of the Town Commissioners acting as the New Ross Urban Sanitary Authority to be held this day at 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Public Health (Ireland) Act 1878. Wednesday being Christmas Day.

Members present — Mess^rs —

David Murphy, Chairman
John Butler
Michael Hickey

A Quorum not having assembled the Meeting was adjourned to Friday 27th December 1895.

1895 — December 26th

Thursday 26th December — A Weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee to be held this day after 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.
Wednesday being Christmas Day.

Members in attendance — Mess^rs —

David Murphy Chairman

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John Butler
Michael Dickey.
A Quorum not having assembled
the Meeting was adjourned to Friday
27th December 1895.

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Friday 27th December — A meeting
of the Town Commissioners and
Street Committee held this day after
½ a Oclock P.M. to transact business
pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland)
Act 1854. Present — Meeps —

David Murphy Chairman, in the Chair
Henry G. Kinahan
Matthew J. Trim
Patrick Kennedy
Patrick Hunt
Peter Murphy
James Dowling
Michael Dickey

152 The Weekly Bill amounted to — £6.14.6
153 Also — D. Cody Boatload Limestones — 2.4.0

Last Cheque for year 1895.

The following were read.

Office of Public Works Dublin, 18th December 1895

Naming of the working Classes Act 18228/95

Sir,

I am directed by the Commissioners of
Public Works to transmit herewith for the
information of the Town Commissioners a Copy
of a further letter received from Mr R. C. Buchan
on

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on the subject of the proposed Lodging houses for the Working Classes in New Ross on a Certain piece of Ground Situate in the Town.

I am
Sir
Your obedient Servant
J Tuohey
Secretary.

Copy.

New Ross House
New Ross, 12th December 1895

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of yours of the 11th Instant. Having Knowledge of the facts stated in My previous letters I thought it only fair that Your Board should be in possession of them. Having no doubt that if the houses referred to are built that proceedings will be taken to have them removed.

Yours faithfully
(signed) R. C. Brehon

The following was read.

County Surveyor's Office, Wexford, December 24th 1895

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of Yours of Yesterday. I note that Your Commissioners Consider that a very beneficial change has taken place in the appearance of the Streets, but in justice to the Contractor I may mention that My visit on the 18th inst. was unexpected by both the Contractor and

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and my Assistant.

Yours Faithfully
Henry Mebeter
Corp. Surveyor

W. John Lobin
Town Clerk
New Rop

The following was read

Rising Street. 27-12-95

To the Town Commrs, New Rop.

Gentlemen,

I have been served with a notice for water rate this week But beg to state that I have not received any water for my five years residence here, although I gave notice to him & have the water cut off last February

I think it very hard to have to pay for what I never received and hope you will take notice of this by not making this charge.

Yours truly
Andrew French.

The following was read

Commercial Club, Bridge Street
New Rop 27th December 1895.

Gentlemen

On behalf of the Dance Committee me beg to apply for the Large Room, Reading Room and Commissioners Office of School for our Annual Dance to be held on Sunday night 5th January 1896.

Yours Faithfully
Jno Rehoe } Hon.
Jno Carroll } Secs.

* The consideration of Capt French's letter was adjourned & Messrs Lobin & Mebeter instructed to report on the matter at next meeting.

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Ordered – That the use of the Large Room, Reading Room and Committee Office be given for the use of the Dance Committee of the Commercial Club on Sunday night 5th January 1896

14th December Street Inspectors Report — The streets were very bad on the Quay from the Bridge to Priory Lane. There was Mud and Slop in North Street and John Street – very bad with Slop and Mud. Robert street and Priory Lane – heaps of manure left for days and not removed. Around the Post Office was bad with Slop. At the Fish house bad with Slop. At the Steamers Office – heaps of mud not removed for days.

17th December It would be well to get in a boat of limestones & have them in stock if required to be put on the Bridge and leading to it.

23rd December About seven yards of the wall leading up to the Hill school fell down on Sunday night last. I got poles and boards brought up and put down in the place where the wall fell to prevent danger to persons going up and down to the school.

Ordered – That a boatload of limestones be procured

It was

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It was agreed that Mr Heinan procure a new Clock for the Office and give the Clock at present in use in part payment.

Ordered — That 5/- each be allowed to J. Walsh, P. Scanlan, M Curran, M. Cahill, men in Constant employment of the Commissioners, to be entered in next Weekly Bill, for extra work in Cleaning at Christmas — Also 5/- to Catherine O'Brien Portress for same labour in Cleansing in the House at Christmas.

The Meeting was adjourned to Thursday 2nd January 1896 Wednesday being a Holy day.

1896 — January 2nd — Thursday 2nd January — A Weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after ½ O'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Wednesday being a Holy day.

Present — Mess^rs —
David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Patrick Kennedy
Matthew Hutchinson
Peter J. Byrne
Matthew J Finn
Michael Hickey
Henry G. Hinson

Cheques were issued for the following amounts

Weekly Bill ——— £5. 19. 8

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Zimber Brothers Years Contract — T. Clock £5. 0. 0

27th December Street Inspectors Report — There are eight heaps of manure in the Commissioners Yard ready for sale.

About ten Yards of the wall leading from the Concert Hall in Robert Street to the Corner of the Market House fell into the back Yard of the Hall and broke down the drain Carrying the water from Robert Street to the main Sewer in South Street and stopped the Run of Water. It burst through Patrick Powers garden down to the back Yard of his stables and out into the Channels in South Street. I had to bring two men up and opened a passage for the water to pass down by Father Doyles House. I Called on Mr Michael Kelly the President of the Hall about it and he told me that he would write to the Commissioners' Meeting about it.

January 2nd The wall that fell down in Robert Street last Week has been removed and the drain opened and Cleaned up and the Water is going as before the wall fell. The Concert Hall Committee got the Work done.

Ordered — That the Eight heaps of Manure in the Commissioners' Yard be advertised for sale, the proposals

the Committee at next meeting.

Ordered — That in future any person getting the use of any of the Town Commissioners' rooms shall give a ~~guarantee~~ personal undertaking to be responsible for any injury done to the rooms while in their use.

A proposal was read from Mr H. A. Whitney, Creacon, for one heap of manure @ 22/6.

Manure

Ordered — That Mr Whitneys proposal for one heap of manure @ 22/6 be accepted.

The following was read.

Kingstown Life-boat Disaster Fund Committee.

Town Hall Kingstown, December 1895.

Gentlemen

Doubtless you have heard of the terrible Catastrophe to the Kingstown Life-Boat on Christmas Eve.

We beg to acquaint You that Your name has been placed on the Committee which has been formed for the purpose of raising a Fund for the relief of the families of the fifteen ~~heroes~~ brave Men who lost their lives in the attempt to save those on board an unknown Ship-Wrecked Vessel; and we are directed to ask the

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the Co-operation of your Board in the matter.

Subscriptions may be sent to the Committee, or to any branch of the National Bank Limited.

Yours Faithfully
Gerald Byrne } Hon.
John Donnelly } Secs.

To New Pop Town Commissioners.

to order made.

A proposal was received from Mr John Harrington for supply of material for covering the floor of the Office and a Hearth rug.

The samples of the materials were not deemed good enough for the purpose required.

One of the rugs was selected for consideration

Ordered — That the Committee appointed to inspect Robert Street Call & the establishments of Messrs — J Harrington, Power & Dempsey and M Murphy, to ascertain where the best Linoleum for Covering the Office floor could be procured.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 8th January 1896

1896 — Monday 6th January — Monthly Meeting adj. No attendance by Members the Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 8th January 1896.

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Wednesday 8th January — A Weekly and an Adjourned Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day at ½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854

Members present Messrs —
David Murphy Chairman in the Chair.
Peter L Byrne
Michael Hickey
Matthew J Finn
Patrick Hunt

Cheques were issued for the following amounts

Weekly Bill — — £4.11.0
John Robin Clerk & Salary due 1st Inst 18.15.0

The Chairman reported that the Committee Messrs Kinsella, Hickey and Kinsely, had called to the establishments of Messrs — Harrington, Power and Dempsey, and M. Murphy to select material for Covering the floor of the Office. That they had agreed to purchase Linolium from Mr Murphy and also a Hearth Rug.

The following was read.

Officers New Rop 8th January 1896

Dear Sir

Referring to the question you put to me lately as to whether the two Bills of Costs furnished by me could be included in one bill and taxed on one requisition. I made enquiries at

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at the Taxing Office, and have been informed that if they are not payable out of the same Fund they ought to be taxed seperately. In this Case I understand the Costs are not payable out of the same Fund, and Consequently I think from every point of View the Bills ought to be taxed seperately. Would you Kindly get the requisitions signed and returned to me

Yours very truly

John K Calfer.

John Robin Esqr
Town Clerk.

The Clerk was directed to see Mr Calfer and ascertain why the two Bills could not be paid out of the One fund, and if they Can to ask if the One requisition will not be sufficient.

The following proposals were read for manure.

Philip Kelly, Camblin, one heap at 22/6
Miss Mary A. Whitney, Creacon two heaps " 22/6 per heap
John Byrne, Camblin, Three heaps " 23/- per heap
Thomas Wall, Charleton Hill, Two heaps " 22/6 pr heap

Ordered — That Philip Kellys proposal for one heap @ 22/6 be accepted
That Miss Mary A Whitneys proposal for two

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Manure

two heaps at 22/6 per heap be accepted
That John Byrnes proposal for three heaps of manure at 23/- per heap be accepted.
That Thomas Walls proposal for two heaps at 22/6 per heap be accepted.

Trinity Hospital
Notice of Motion in Chancery

The Clerk produced A Notice of Motion - served on him on the 4th January 1896 - To be made in the High Court of Justice, Chancery Division - Vice Chancellor - in a Cause entitled, Attorney General v. Tottenham. Said notice of Motion to be heard on Monday 20th January 1896, on behalf of Col. Charles George Tottenham of Ballycurry in the County of Wicklow, Deputy Lieutenant - That he may be appointed to represent, and fulfil the functions of the Heirs of Thomas Gregory, as described in the Charter or Letter patent of Queen Elizabeth, dated 12th February 1577.

Ordered - That the Consideration of the Notice of Motion be adjourned to next meeting, the Members to be noticed to attend to Consider same.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 15th January 1896

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January 15th Meeting of the Town Commissioners
and Street Committee held this day
after 7 o'clock P.M. to transact
business pursuant to the Towns
Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854
Also – To Consider a notice of
a Motion to be made in the
Court of Chancery for the appoint-
-ment of Col C.G. Cottenham to be
Heir of Gregory for the Management
of Trinity Hospital".
Present – Mesrs –
David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Patrick Kennedy
Henry G. Hinson
Matthew Hutchinson
Peter S. Byrne
Peter Murphy
William Murphy
Michael Hickey
John Meehan
John Butler
Cheques were issued for the following amts

Weekly Bill	£4.0.6
Zimmer Brothers – Clock for Office	1.0.0
Hewlett & Co Linoleum for Covering floor of Office	5.4.0

Inspectors Report – There are about
twenty two Carloads of manure
taken up from the Water Channel
in

in the Yard at the rere of the Commissioners houses near Bowling Green now ready for Sale.

Ordered — That advertisements be issued inviting proposals for the Sale of the manure in the Yard at Fair Gate

The following was read

Offices, New Ross 10th January 1896

Dear Sir,

Refering to our Conversation of Yesterday about the Taxation of the Costs furnished by me. Even although both Bills may ultimately be paid out of the same Fund. Yet I Consider it more prudent to have the Bills taxed seperately. If however the Commissioners desire to save the trifling expense which will be incurred by a seperate taxation, What I would suggest is that they shall sign the two requisitions to tax which I sent in some weeks ago, and also the requisition which I now enclose.

If the Taxing Master will tax both bills on one requisition, I shall use the forms now enclosed. If on the other hand he requires two requisitions I shall use the forms already sent in

Yours truly

John R. Colfer.

John Robin Esq
Town Clerk
New Ross.

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The requisition received for the Taxation of the Two Bills in one Taxing received from McAlfee, ~~together with the~~ others received at Meeting held 18th December last were signed by the Chairman and Countersigned by the Clerk, in accordance with Resolution passed at the Meeting held 18th December.

Proposals were read for the tenancy of the occupied by Ellen Fitzhenery ~~late~~ lately deceased in Church Lane, from from Nicholas Murphy and from Mary Sweetman Widow, who had been residing in the house with the deceased tenant for the previous Six Months.

Mr Kennedy proposed Mrs Sweetman
Mr Hinson proposed N. Murphy

Mr Kennedy stated that N. Murphy when applying to him for the for his support, as a Commissioner, said he would not propose for the tenancy if Mrs Sweetman was about to apply for it.

After some Conversation on the Subject it was agreed that Mrs Sweetman be accepted as Tenant, for the House She having been in the house with the deceased tenant for Six Months and also

as

a Relative.

The Matter of Motion to be heard in the Court of Chancery for the appointment of Col C.G. Tottenham to be appointed Heir of Thomas Gregory for the Management of Trinity Hospital was Considered

The Scheme for the Management of Trinity Hospital was read.

It appeared by Section 3. that the appointment of the Heir of Gregory should be made in accordance with the Decree made 15th day of February 1866

It was agreed that that Consideration of the Subject be adjourned to the 16th Inst. the Clerk to apply for the loan of a Copy of the Decree from Mr Boyd and Mr Carr, Solicitors New Rop.

The List of the three Committees were revised — Finance — Streets — and Sanitary Committees.

Ordered — That the Finance Committee be Summoned to meet at 7½ Oclock P.M. Tuesday 21st January 1896 to enquire into the State of the liabilities and Assets of the Town Commissioners.

The Meeting was adjourned to Thursday 16th January 1866

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Thursday 16th January — An Adjourned Weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day at ½ O'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854

Also — To Consider a Notice of a Motion to be made in the Court of Chancery for the appointment of Col G.G. Latterham to be Heir of Gregory for the manage of Trinity Hospital

Present — Messrs —

David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Patrick Kennedy
Patrick Hunt
John Meehan
Matthew Hutchinson
Peter J Byrne
Henry G. Hinson
John Butler

Trinity Hospital
Copy of Decree
15th Feb 1866

The Clerk reported that he had called to the Offices of Mr Boyd and Mean Solicitors to ask a loan of the Copy of the Decree respecting the appointment of the Heir to Thomas Gregory. That Mr Mears and Mr Boyd searched a large amount of Documents to try to get a Copy the Decree of the 15th February 1866, their attested Copy being up at Dublin at present the used on the Notice of Motion. Mr Boyd said he would Telegraph for it and if possible have it by next Post

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part.

That McCan also spent a Considerable time in Searching and found the attested Copy which he (Clerk) now produced

Trinity ~~Hospital~~ Decree 15th 7th Feb 1866

After reading the Decree the following Resolution was

Proposed by Mr Kirwan
Seconded by Mr Kennedy

That having Considered the Notice of Motion served on behalf of Col. Tattenham, that he should be appointed Heir of Gregory as representing one of the Governing Body of Trinity Hospital, we determine that such appointment be unopposed, believing as we do, that Col. Tattenham will give every reasonable Consideration to our recommendations in the appointment of Master and Inmates. That a Copy of this Resolution be sent to Col Tattenham.

Trinity ~~Hospital~~ resolution in favour of Col Tattenham being appointed Heir of Gregory

Passed Unanimously

Ordered - That Copy of Resolution be sent to Col Tattenham.

Proposed by Mr Kennedy
Seconded by Mr Byrne

That Mr W. F. Kearn Solicitor, New Ros, be appointed to act on behalf of the Town Commissioners before the Taxing Master in the Taxing of McAlpers two Bills of Law Costs against the Town Commissioners. Passed Unanimously

The Meeting was adjourned
to Wednesday 22nd January 1896.

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1896 — Tuesday 21st January — A meeting of
January 21st the Finance Committee held this
day at 7h Oclock P.M. to transact
business of the Committee

Present — Messrs —
Daniel Murphy in the Chair
Patrick Kennedy
Henry G. Hinson
Peter Murphy
Matthew J Finn

Rope Water

The Committee proceeded to examine
into the the Causes of Income Rents
Rate and Rope Water rent
Also into a list of Claims for payments
up to the present date.

The Committee examined the Collectors
~~list of~~ Abstract of Uncollected Rope Water
and made the following Rulings
Cancelled — Mrs Fowler —— 7.6
" Patrick Doyle 15.0
" Mrs Williams 7.6
" Rev. T. Roche, deceased 7.6
" Capt French 7.6
" Edward Walsh 8.4
Mrs Kehoe —— 7.6

Collectable ~~Edward Walsh~~
" Mrs R. White 3.9
" Dr. Meehan 7.6
Mrs Armstrong 4.4½
" M. Kutchinson 3.9

The Meeting was adjourned.

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January 22nd 1896 — Wednesday 22nd January - A weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and ~~Street~~ Committee held this day at 1½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the ~~Public~~ Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Members present — Messrs —

David Murphy, Chairman in the Chair.
Patrick Kennedy
Patrick Hunt
Peter J. Byrne
Henry G. Hinson
Peter Murphy
Matthew J. Finn
Matthew Hutchinson
James Dowling

Cheques were issued for the following amounts —

Weekly Bill — — — — —	£4. 5. 6
Patrick Lacey, Book Case supplied	5. 17. 0
Joseph Freeman, Painting & Papering Comrs Office and Painting different parts of the Thalsel as per Contract — —	27. 16. 11

A Bill was presented from Patrick Lacey for Repairs of Roof of Thalsel — press de.

It was agreed that P. Lacey be paid for the press — £5. 17. 0 — that T. Cullen inspect the roof of the Thalsel and Certify the work to be done according to Specification and then the other account would be paid.

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The following was read

To Chairman, Town Commissioners, New Ross.

Dear Sir

I respectfully beg leave to inform the Town Commissioners that a lamp is required near the Parish Chapel of Rosbercon, Evening Devotions are held here during the Holy season of Lent, and in the month of October. Worshippers attending them are obliged to do so in the dark as there is no lamp in that part of the Borough.

There is a pump and a licenced house also, in this part of the Street, so that for those who use them a lamp would be an advantage as well as to the public in general. The want of a ~~large~~ lamp in this part of the Borough has long been felt and I hope the Commissioners will be good enough to supply the want.

I am,
Dear Sir,
Yours faithfully
J. Canon Halahan

Ordered — That the Consideration of Canon Halahans application be referred to the Street Committee to inspect the street in Rosbercon and select the place to erect a lamp. The Committee to meet at 11 o'clock A.M. tomorrow. That

Canon

Canon Halahan he ~~requested~~ informed of the time the Committee would meet, and request him if Convenient to be present with the Committee.

The following was read.

Rosemount, New Rop 18th January 96.

Gentlemen,

I beg to draw your attention to the accident that happened to my daughter on the 29th of November last in John Street New Rop, when a stone struck her on the head and caused a very severe wound which any of the Town Doctors Can Certify. The said stone came from the blasting operations going on in a quarry near the above named street, worked by your employed ~~men~~. My daughter is not all right from that accident as yet which is a great loss to me as she was most useful and industrious to me.

Hoping you will take me into Consideration and give me a reasonable Compensation for the loss which that accident Caused to me I may also add I am a labouring man.

Yours very truly
Thomas Brennan

It Was agreed that the Chairman Call on Thomas Brennan and ascertain from him what he Considers reasonable Compensation.

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An Communication was read from
G. Tehan Irishtown Offering 8/-
for the manure removed from the
drain at Fair Gate

Ordered that M^r Tehan get the manure
if he gives 10/- for it, if not that the
manure be advertised for Sale.

C. F. Wilmott Sec.t

A Circular was read from the
Irish Agriculturists Association
Mansion House Dublin. Stating the
objects of the Association, and inviting
the Members of the Town Commission to
to Send members to the Conference to be
held on the 6th February 1896. under
the presidency of the Lord Mayor

The Consideration of the Communica
-tion was referred to next Meeting.

The following was read.

Ballycurry
Ashford
Ireland

January 13th 1896

Dear Sir,

I have to thank you for so
promptly sending me Copy of the Kind
Resolution adopted by the Town Comm-
-issioners of New Ross in Reference to
the application to be made shortly
in the Court of Chancery in the
matter

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matter of Trinity Hospital.

I am exceedingly gratified at this proof of Confidence and good will on the part of the Town Commissioners, and I trust that in exercising any responsibilities that may be placed on me in respect of Trinity Hospital I shall always act ~~Conscientiously~~ conscientiously and with due regard to the merits of each applicant, and the evidence given in her favour.

I am
Yours faithfully
Charles G. Tattenham

The Clerk of
Town Commissioners
New Ross.

Proposed by W. P. Murphy
Seconded by W. Hutchinson —

That it is with much regret that this Body has been informed that some Merchants and Traders of this Town have lodged objections with the Board of Trade with the View of opposing the passing of the Provisional Order applied for by the New-Ross Harbour Commissioners to re-instate the qualification of the Rated Occupier Electors who were disfranchised by the Redistribution of Seats Act 1885, and to impose a small Rate on Cargoes of Vessels in Order to obtain funds to place our Harbour in a working Condition, and raise it from the neglected and fallen State in which it now is, to the injury of Trade and

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and disgrace to our Town. That we regard such an act, on the part of objectors, as unpopular and irrational and against the trading and social interest of the Town; and we respectfully invite the Parliamentary action and influence of the Members of Parliament of this County and others to support the Harbour Commissioners to obtain said order, both before the Board of Trade and in the House of Commons, should same be referred thereto; and that Copy of this Resolution be sent to each of the County Members and other influential persons, and their support solicited."

Ordered – That 50 Copies of the Resolution be printed and sent to the following persons, with a respectful request of their aid in the promotion of the Provisional Order

T.M. Healey M.P. 1 Mountjoy Square, Dublin
Thos J. Healy M.P. Wexford
Peter J French M.P. Harpoonstown, Bridgetown Wexford
John E. Redmond M.P. 7 Belvidere Place Dublin
W. H. K Redmond, M.P. Saint Ville Killiney, Co. Dublin
W. Kenny M.P. Solicitor General 35 Fitzwilliam Place Dublin
Col C.G. Tottenham D.L. Ballycanny, Ashford Co. Wicklow

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Samuel Morris M.P. Newrath House Waterford.
The Right Hon A J Balfour M.P. First Lord
of the Treasury White Hall London.
The Right Honourable G. A. Balfour M.P.
Chief Secretary for Ireland, the Castle, Dublin.
W. J. Corbet M.P. Spring Farm House, Delgany, Co Wicklow
Sir T. G. Esmond Bart. M.P. Ballinastraw House, Gorey.
The Secretary, Board of Trade, 7 Whitehall Gardens, London
Thos Sexton M.P. 20 North Frederick St. Dublin

The following was read.

Bridge Street New Ross 20th January 1896.

Dear Sir

I am in receipt of your letter of this date instructing me to attend on behalf of Your Board at the taxation of two Bills of Costs furnished to the Commissioners by their Solicitors. I will duly attend to the matter and report result of Taxation.

Yours Faithfully
W. F. Kearne

W. Tench Robin
Town Commissioners Office
New Ross.

The Clerk reported that he had left letter and the two Bills of Costs with Mr Kearn on the 20th Inst.

Mr Kennedy brought under notice of the meeting that Dr Cheny had complained of the uncleanly state of John Street footpath to the gate of the quarry from Creywell road

It was agreed that the Commissioners men

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Keep the footpath &c Complained of by
Mr Cherry Clean.

Ordered — That the Collectors and the
Inspector's Books be Removed to the
Small office, and that their business
in Connection therewith be transacted
~~Here~~ in that Room in future

See Meeting 5th Feb. Ordered — That the Tenancy of
the Raund be advertised on the
same terms as advertised in July
last.

The Meeting Was adjourned to Wednesday
29th January 1896

1896 — Friday 23rd January A meeting of the
January 23rd Street Committee held this day at
11 Oclock A.M. To inspect Roberson
Street near the Parish Chapel &
Consider the application from the
Very Rev J Canon Holahan P.P. &
See the best place to erect a Lamp
for Public Convenience. Present Messrs
David Murphy
Peter J Byrne
Matthew Ketchinson
The Committee proceeded to inspect

the place. The Very. Rev Canon Holahan and the Manager of the Gas Works were present with the Committee.

After due Consideration the Committee agreed to a Report.

1896 — Wednesday 29th January — A meeting of the
January 29th Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854

Present — Mesrs —
David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Henry G. Hinson
Patrick Kennedy
Peter J. Byrne
John Meehan
James Dowling

Cheques were issued for the following amounts

Weekly Bill	£4.18.4
N. J. Meehan M.D. Medical Fee for his opinion as to the the Condition of the health of the Girl Brennan injured by a falling stone in John Street	1.1.0

Report of Street Committee — We inspected the street near the Parish Church in the Upper street in Rosbercon this day at 11 Oclock A.M. The Very Rev Canon Holahan P.P. met us at the place. The Manager of the New Ros Gas Works Company was

A meeting of the Commissioners held this day at ½ past 2 o'clock P.M. Present — D. Murphy Chairman, H. G. Hinson, P. Kennedy, P. J. Byrne & J. Dowling. After transacting business the Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 5th February 1896.

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Mas also present.

We agreed that a lamp be fixed opposite the Church at the other side of the street. The lamp to be so fixed will give light to the Congregation entering and leaving the Church, to the public pump, and for a good distance up and down the street. The lamp to be extinguished at 11 Oclock each night.

It was agreed that one of the lamp posts in the yard Commissioners' yard be used.

The Committee found the footpath worn down and a little pond of water at the footpath opposite the Goods department of the Railway. We Called the attention of the Station Master to the Condition of the footpath Caused by the Railway floats and other Vehicles Conveying Goods to and from the Railway. He promised to report the matter to the proper department and States that it would be adjusted properly.

The Committee found parts of the flagging from the end of the Bridge to the Railway entrance broken and little pools of water in several places on the footpath. We found that from Mr Hearns Corner to the end of the

flagging that there are flags broken or depressed which causes small pools of water in the footway. Farther out of the town, we found parts of the gravelled footpath from Rosbercon, out the Waterford road requiring repairs. Hollows in the pathway containing water and several stones projecting above the surface - all of which cause trouble and inconvenience to foot passengers.

The Committee recommend that the proper party be applied to for ~~for~~ the purpose of having the flagging and gravelling of the footpath properly adjusted

24th January 1896.

David Murphy
Peter J. Byrne

Ordered - That the clerk draw the attention of the County Surveyor of the County of Kilkenny to the matters referred to respecting the footpaths in Rosbercon, and send him the extracts from the Report of the Street Committee referring thereto.

Brennans daughter

The Chairman reported his interview with Thomas Brennan respecting the remuneration he would expect from the Town Commissioners, as stated in his letter read at last Meeting for the injury received by his daughter caused as he alleged by the stone falling from the blasting in John Street quarry. That Brennan said his

daughter

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daughter was not recovered and he could not say what the damage might be to him until his daughter would be recovered. That the Doctor attending her, Dr Meehan, could not tell him the time his daughter would be recovered.

Brennan's Daughter
Hon Members Fee
Hon Members Fee
Dr Meehan

See page 211 for Report.

Ordered — That Messrs - S. Meehan, P. J. Byrne and the Chairman be appointed a Committee to interview Dr Meehan and ascertain from him his opinion of the present state of the health of Brennan's daughter and his opinion as to the prospect of her final recovery from the effects of the injury she recived. That a Cheque for a guinea be issued to pay Dr Meehan for his professional opinion.

In reference to ~~the~~ Col. Tottenhams letter read at previous Meeting respecting the appointment of an Heir to Gregory.

The Scheme for the Management of Trinity was produced and ~~the~~ paragraphs referring to the appointment of an Heir to Gregory read

The following were read

~~Dr Hanson~~ Chief Secretarys Office
Dublin Castle, January 27th 1896

Sir — I am directed by the Chief Secretary

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to acknowledge the receipt of the Resolution passed by the New Ros Town Commissioners on the 22nd Instant with reference to the improvement of the Harbour - I am to say in reply that the matter will have Mr Balfours attention.

Your obedient Servant

John Lodin Esqr J. A. Grant

Board of Trade (Harbour department)
7 Whitehall Gardens London S. W.
27th January 1896

New Ros Harbour.

Sir

I am directed by the Board of Trade to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 23rd Instant, transmitting on behalf of the New Ros Town Commissioners, Copy of a Resolution in support of the proposed Provision al Order in the matter of the above undertaking

I am
Sir
Your obedient Servant
T. H. W. Relham
Assistant Secretary

The Clerk to the
Town Commissioners
New Ros.

Newrath, Waterford 25th January 1896.

Dear Sir

I am favoured by you with Copy of a Resolution passed by the New Ros Town Commissioners, on the 22nd Instant.

There Cann be no doubt that the neglect of the Harbour will tell against the

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the business of the Town and that some public body should have power to levy a small Toll to keep it in a proper working Condition.

The Town Commissioners being an elective body, are, I think the proper and most suitable authority in the matter, and I shall gladly do anything in my power to get them the required permission.

Yours faithfully
S. Morris

D. Dobbin Esqr
Clerk to Town Commissioners, Newry.

Ballycurry Ashford, Ireland
January 25th 1896

Dear Sir,

They to acknowledge receipt of the Resolution of the Newry Town Commissioners recommending the Provisional Order for the improvement of the port.

You may be assured that I shall give the matter the most careful consideration I have not full materials for giving a judgment as to the present income of the port. If properly Collected and judiciously administered, and how far it would go towards diminishing the debt and restoring the Works without additional taxation. If a return can be obtained showing the actual tonnage visiting the port during the last three years

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years, so as to Compare it with the rates accounted for by the receiver it would help very much to secure a reliable estimate of the present resources of the Harbour Board.

There is a sum of about £270 (shame (not the figures by me) paid into Court by the late receiver soon after he vacated Office, and I have not seen any account how this sum was applied, whether in the reduction of the arrear of interest or otherwise, and I think it of importance that this should be cleared up.

Yours very faithfully

The Town Clerk — Charles G. Tattenham.

New Rds.

Mr Hinton produced a statement of receipts and Expenditure of the Harbour for the past ~~three~~ three years.

It was agreed that the statement be sent to Col. Tattenham.

Proposed by Mr Kennedy
Seconded by Mr Dowling

That 100 Copies of the Financial statement reproduced by Mr Hinton, be printed for Circulation. That M. Calahan be engaged to Copy it. for fine. Shillings

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1896 — February 3rd

Monday 3rd February — A meeting of the Committee appointed to interview Dr Meehan respecting the health of the girl Brennan, who was injured by a falling stone in Johnstreet. Present — Mesrs —

Peter J. Byrne
David Murphy
John Meehan

The Committee proceeded at half past Eight o'clock to interview Dr Meehan after which he handed the following to the Committee.

I have Carefully examined Alice Brennan of Rosemount, and I am of opinion that the injury inflicted on her Scull by the falling stone will cause permanent impairment of her nervous system.

P. J. Meehan
New Rop Feb. 3rd 1896. Physician & Surgeon

1896 — Monday 3rd February — Meeting of the Committee appointed to interview Dr Meehan respecting the health of the girl Brennan who was injured by a falling stone in Johnstreet. Present — Mesrs —

Peter J. Byrne
David Murphy
John Meehan

The girl Brennan
Dr Meehan Report
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1896 — February 4th

Tuesday 4th February — A meeting of the Finance Committee held this day at 7½ O'clock P.M. to transact business of the Committee, Present — Mesrs —

David Murphy in the Chair
Patrick Kennedy
Henry G. Hinson

A Draft report Considered The Meeting was adjourned to the 11th Instant the Clerk to have all Books Ledgers &c Containing

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accounts of the Commissioners ready for examination.

Chairman

1896 — Wednesday 5th February — An adjourned
February 5th Monthly and a Weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7 Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854

Members present — Messrs —
David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Henry G Hinson
Patrick Kennedy
Matthew Hutchinson
Matthew J Finn
Michael Hickey
John Butler
John Meehan

Cheques were issued for the following amts

Weekly Bill	£4.16.0
J. Hannigan, Collector of Inland Revenue Kilkenny	10.4

In reference to the Complaints about the unclean state of John Street and the broken flags on the footpath

Ordered — That the Clerk Write to the County Surveyor, Wexford informing him that Complaints have been made by respectable inhabitants about the Condition of John

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John Street, particularly Cleansing and of some broken flags in the Footpath, and request his attention & the matter with the view that he will direct such steps & be taken as will cause the flagging to be adjusted and ~~the~~ Street Kept in proper ~~repair~~ Condition

Mr Butler stated that the lamps on some nights were not lighted early enough in John Street and that inconvenience and danger was thereby caused to persons engaged in traffic or passing there for the want of light.

Ordered — That the Clerk draw the attention of the Manager of the Gas Works to the Complaint made, and request that the Cause of the Complaint be avoided in the future.

A Note was read from E. Tuhan Irishtown agreeing to the fine 10/- for the manure raised from the drain near Fair Gate. Accepted.

manure

The following was read.

I have Carefully examined Alice Brennan of Rosemount and I am of opinion that the injury inflicted on her Skull by the falling stone will cause permanent

Impairment

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Impairment of his nervous System

V. J Meehan

Physician and Surgeon

New Rop

Feb 3rd 1896

Ordered — That the Clerk prepare a statement about A Brennans case to be sent to the Local Government Board and also asking if the Commissioners could make an arrangement with A Brennans father as to Compensation without litigation, and if they succeed in doing so and thereby saving Kearneys legal expense would the Auditor be likely to object to such payment if it would not pass through some litigation.

The following was read

Offices New Rop 4th February 1896

Dear Sir

Kindly hand bearer the original Lease from the late Mr Hunt of Dungarvan to the Commissioners as we require to produce it as a voucher on the Taxation of our Costs.

Yours faithfully

Colfer & Lyathan.

John Lehane

Town Clerk New Rop.

The Clerk reported that on receipt of the letter he gave the original lease as required and subsequently gave the statement of the rent due some years ago by the Reps of Capt Sutton and Calclough for part of the ground of the Block House.

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The following were read

Harbourmaster's, Bridgetown
29th January 1896

Dear Sir

Kindly confer with the new Rep Harbour Commissioners that they may rely on me to help them as far as I can in any way that will improve the trade of New Rep.

Yours very truly
Peter Hfrench

W. L. Tobin.

Selskar Wexford January 29th 1896

Dear Sir

Your letter with Copy of Resolution in reference to the Provisional Order duly to hand. I will confer with Mr Hfrench the Member for the Division on the matter, and act in conjunction with him.

Yours very truly
Thos J. Healy

John Tobin
Town Commissioners office
New Rep

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 12th February 1896.

No proposal received for the Lease of the Pound

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February 11th

Tuesday 11th February — A meeting of the Finance Committee held this day at 7½ O'clock P.M. to transact business of the Committee.

Members present — Messrs —
David Murphy, Chairman
Henry G. Dixon
Matthew J. Finn
Patrick Kennedy
Peter Murphy

The Books of the Accounts of the Lawn Commissioners were submitted to the Committee

In examining the Rent Accounts the Collector was directed to require payment of one years rent from Mr Jones.

The Collector was directed to see Mrs Mrs Elms, Jones's Hill and desire her to surrender the possession of her house within fourteen days, the Commissioners undertaking to pay 1/- per week for a room for her for life

That Mr. Reville be requested required to pay £3.4.0 eight years rent and reported to us.

That Mr Revilles Lease and any notice of surrender served by him be produced to us at next meeting and also the Minutes.

That the Clerk produce the Minutes shewing to whom the Large Room was originally

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Originally set.
Also, time, person created Tenant
of the Tenant Right Reading Room.
The Meeting was adjourned.

~~1896 — Wednesday 12th February. Meeting~~
~~February 12th of the Town Commissioners acting as~~
~~the New Rep Urban Sanitary Authority~~

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February 12th Meeting of the Town Commissioners
and Trust Committee held this
day after 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact
business pursuant to the Towns
Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854
Present Mess^rs —
David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Patrick Kennedy
Peter J. Byrne
Matthew Hutchinson
Matthew J. Finn
John Meehan
The Weekly Bill amounted to £4.6.3

After the reading of the Minutes the
Clerk read Copy of the letter sent to
the Local Government Board
respecting the Settlement of Brennan's
Claim for injury done to his daughter.
The

The following was read.

Offices New Ross, 12th February 1896.

Re Town Commissioners Costs.

Dear Sir

I have to inform you that the Costs incurred & done by the Commissioners came on for taxation on Friday last. In the course of the Taxation the Gentleman who represented Mr Kearn objected to the Charges made for attendances at Clonroche Presentment Sessions unless I produced the Resolution or order of the Commissioners directing these attendances. I must say the objection is rather an unusual one but as it was insisted on, I have to ask you to give me Copies Certified by You, of the General Orders directing My attendance at Clonroche, the dates of which are as follows; 13th December 1889; 2nd June 1890; 12th May 1891; 9th November 1891; 27th November 1891; 11th May 1892; 12th May 1893; 12th May 1894 13th May 1895.

Your Kind attention will oblige

Yours very truly

John R Colfer

John Lohier
Town Clerk
New Ross.

Ordered. That the Clerk Copy the different Orders passed by the Commissioners requesting Mr Colfers attendance in Clonroche &c as required

&c

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The following was read.

County Surveyor's Office Wexford
Feb. 10th 1896.

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of yours of the 9th inst. Which is receiving my attention.

When in New Ross last Tuesday the 4th inst. I gave the Contractor particular directions about the flagging

Yours truly
Henry Metcalfe
Co Surveyor

John McGuinn
Town Clerk
New Ross.

A Road Card was read from A. M. Burden County Kilkenny — 4th Feb. 1896. — Saying I have your letter of the 3rd Instant, and beg to inform you that the matter will have my attention.

The following was read.

Offices New Ross. 7th Feb 1896.

Sirs

I am instructed on behalf of Mr Thomas Brennan of Rosemount, Mount Elliott and his daughter Alice Brennan to apply to you for immediate payment of the Sum of Two hundred Pounds Compensation for injuries sustained by his said daughter who was struck with a stone on the head about the 28th day of December last

at

at John Street New Ros through the negligence of Your quarrymen or Servants in blasting stones on Your account at the quarry situate in John Street aforesaid.

I have further to inform You that if I have not payment of said sum with 12/2 Costs of this application, or some settlement be not made Satisfactory to my Client, within a fortnight from this date, legal proceedings to recover said amount will be then taken against You of which proceedings You will receive no further notice.

I am Your obedient Servant

William Fras. Browne

The New Ros
Town Commissioners

Tholsel New Ros.

Ordered - That the Clerk bring Mr Brownes Letter to Mr Colfer our Solicitor to obtain his instructions for the Town Commissioners thereon. That this meeting be adjourned to 8 o'clock P.M. Monday 17th February 1896 to Consider Mr Colfers advice on the subject.

The following was read.

Ballycurry Feb. 5th 1896.

Dear Sir

I am obliged to you for sending me the Abstract of the New Ros Harbour Accounts, and for the Courteous letter with which You were good enough to accompany it.

The Account is more Complete than any I have previously seen, and appears to clear up the matter of the Balance lodged in Court

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Court by the late Receiver, to which
I drew attention.

It is only too evident that, as
managed during the past few years,
the income of the Harbour, leaves an
absolutely inadequate Margin for
the reduction of the debt or the improve-
-ment of the ~~Harbour~~ Port, but I notice
that in the final statement you take
three years, 1896, 4, 5. balance avail-
-able for payment of interest at £68.9.10
Whereas you show in the previous page
£23.6.5 applied to the interest due
Houghton Hospital and £87.14.11 to that
due to Curtis, or a total of £918.1.4 in
the four years 1892.3.4.5.

Taking four years interest £185 a total
£740. This would leave a balance
actually paid in interest of £178.1.4
or £44.10.4 per annum. visited by £10.16.7
as brought out in your final statement

This increased balance is I quite
admit insufficient for the legitimate
purposes of the Harbour Commissioners.

If it be possible to increase it by
careful management, I am sure that
no effort on their part to do so will be
spared.

I see that at present the item of ballast
is an actual Loss to the Commissioners

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as they duly receive the amount which is subsequently paid to Mr Maddock, and are subject to the Collector's percentage. Surely some step Can be taken to remedy this and to derive a profit from Ballast.

In the time When I was more intimate with the proceedings of the Board than I am now I think, if my memory does not fail me, that We used to derive a profit of from £50 to £70 a Year from ballast.

Yours very faithfully
Charles G. Tottenham

The following reply to Col. Tottenhams letter Was agreed to, as submitted by Mr Hutson

Town Commissioners Office New Ross.
February 1896.

Col Tottenham
Ballycurry.

Sir,

The Town Commissioners have directed me to acknowledge the receipt of Your letter of the 5th Instant, as Well as they Can understand your remarks as to What is available for Interest by the Harbour Receipts, they dont think the future indicates any improvement in those receipts. as they appear falling off in place of improving in Consequence of the great expense attendant on the Receivership under the Court, Which leaves but a small Balance in favour of arrears after paying the Current Interest. The Return made You was for 3 years as You required.

The

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The entire Interest & Credit Lees apportioned of Rev. to Houghton Hospital is £755-14-9 and Curtis £87.14.11 = £843-9-8.

Interest was not paid for nearly three years after Receivers appointment which Caused the large arrear to accrue. It is impossible to Control the Receipts for Ballast as that is in the Receivers Hands, and Can only be questioned When his accounts are passed before the Receivers Judge. The Commissioners are absolutely obliged to Come to the Conclusion that they see no prospect of the present deplorable Condition of things being improved Unless the Board of Harbour Commissioners Succeed in procuring the Provisional Order they are applying for and which is receiving so much opposition by Mr P. J. Roche and a few others who at present pay no Rate or toll Whatever. If the Harbour Commissioners are not well sustained in their undertaking the Town Commissioners see no prospect for the Town and Trade of the Port but Ruin and decay, and am Sir

Your obedient Servant
John Kehoe
Clerk of the Town Comrs

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Collectors Report — Called on Mrs Elms and told her that by an order of the Finance Committe she was required to give up possession of the house she now lives in, (in Consequence of non payment of rent) within fourteen days, and by doing so, the Commissioners would allow 1/- per week to pay for a room during her life.

She told me that if the Commissioners would give her a Written Guarantee to pay her the 1/- per week during her life she would give up possession

I also told her that if possession was not Surrendered within 14 days the matter would would be given into the their Solicitor's hand to recover the possession, and then the Commissioners would not Consider her at all.

One Spring latch wanted on Michael Cullotons door in William Street

One pane of glass in Window

Edward Whitty Fair Gate — Chimney split and in bad repair

Michael Murphy Bowling Green — Latch wanted on front door and 2 panes of glass.

Ordered — To be referred to the Finance Committee

Ordered — that McAlpen be asked to Complete the transfer of the Banks Tenancy in Irishtown

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Grantown Occupied by McGahanan as soon as possible.

Ordered — That Notice be served ~~served~~ on the Tenants stating that in future the tenants will be obliged to fix in all Glass broken while the House is in the Tenants possession.

The Meeting was adjourned to ~~Wednesday~~ Monday 19th February 1896.

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Monday 17th February. An Adjourned Meeting of the Town Commissioners held this day at 8½ O'clock P.M. to ~~Consider~~ Consider a letter from McAlpen respecting Thomas Brennan's Claim for injury done to his daughter.

Members present — Wipes —

David Murphy Chairman, in the Chair

John Meehan

Matthew L. Finn

Peter Murphy

John Butler

Matthew Hutchinson

Patrick Hunt

Peter I Byrne

John

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The following was read

Offices New Ross 15th Feb 1896

Dear Sir,

With regard to Mr Browne's letter on behalf of Thomas Brennan and his daughter it appears that the injury to the daughter was Caused by falling stones thrown up in blasting operations which was being Carried on by the Town Commissioners Servants near John Street. The Circumstances in my opinion shew that there must have been negligence on the part of the men engaged in blasting, and therefore the the Commissioners are responsible for the result of that negligence. The matter resolves itself into a question of damages and I would suggest that a Committee or deputation of the Commissioners meet me on Tuesday next to Consider what steps should be taken with a view settling the matter before proceedings be taken.

John Gobin Esqr
Town Clerk, New Ross.

James Faithfully
John R Colfer

Jeremiah O'Shea and Patrick Carroll the two men engaged in blasting in John Street quarry on the day of the accident were Called before the meeting and examined respecting the Circumstances attend the blast let off on the 29th November last as alleged in Brennans Letter at meeting held on the 22nd January last

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and on or about the 28th day of December last, according to Mr Browne's letter read at Meeting of Commissioners held on ~~the~~ ~~or about the 28th~~ the 12th Instant.

According to the Statement of J. O'Shea the Ordinary Covering used in blasting in John Street quarry by himself and other quarry men.

The hole bored was about three feet deep. There was about nine inches of ~~powder~~ and about two feet three inches of tamping

did not hear of the accident to the girl for about thirty minutes after the blast. Himself and other men were in the Yard When the blast was let off.

A policeman brought in a stone from the street, it would not fit in the place where a piece of stone at the side of the hole had been blown off. It was a dry stone. The Head Constable said the stone brought in by the Policeman was "dry" and not likely to be a stone from the blast. Another stone was brought in by one of the the police, a thin Cornered one. It did not fit the place where a stone left by the blast, because it Covered part of the hole. The blast did ~~did~~ not go off with the usual effect as some damp-

or

Water reached the ~~the~~ powder before the ~~the~~ blast was let off. When the powder becomes damp, it Causes the blast ~~it~~ not to loosen ~~the~~ rock ^ generally ^ but to go off through the whole without disturbing the rock.

Patrick Carroll ~~the~~ man who was working with J. O'Shea was Called and examined. His statements were generally Corroborative of OShea's statements.

Ordered — That — Messrs — J. Butler, P. J. Byrne and the Chairman, be appointed a Committee to Confer with Mr Colfer, to morrow at about five O'clock P.M., respecting Mr. Browne's letter on behalf of Thomas Brennen for the injury done to his daughter.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 19th February 1896.

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February 18th Tuesday 18th February — A meeting of the Committee appointed to Confer with Mr Colfer respecting Thos Brennans Claim for the injury done to his daughter, proceeded this day to Confer with Mr Colfer at half past Six O'clock P.M. ~~the~~

Members present Messrs —

J. Butler

P. J. Byrne and

D. Murphy

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Jeremiah Oshea and Patrick Carroll were examined by Mr Colfer respecting the Circumstances Connected with the blast.

Mr Colfer informed the Committee that he would see Mr Browne and inform the Commissioners respecting the result of the interviews against Wednesdays weekly meeting.

1896 — February 19th — Wednesday 19th February - A weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7 Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Present — Messrs

David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Peter Murphy
Peter L Byrne
Patrick Kennedy
Matthew J. Finn
Matthew Hutchinson
Michael Hickey

Cheques were issued for the following amounts —

Weekly Bill ——— £3.12.1
Edward Monahan amount of a/c for Slating &c at Stacey & Fitzpatrick's Houses at Fair Gate —— 2.13.4

The Clerk reported that Mrs J. R. Colfer

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Colfer Called to the Office and States that She had been speaking to Mr Elms, tenant to the Town Commissioners in William street. That She found Mrs Elms exceedingly upset on account of having been noticed to leave the house she lives in within a fortnight.

That he (Clerk) explained to Mr Colfer that the Commissioners were obliged to take the steps they had taken, as the Auditor had Complained about the arrears due and and desired that they be Collected, or the possession of the House obtained

That Mr Colfer stated that herself and Some ladies would Collect Some money to pay the rent for Mrs Elms, and that as She was a very aged woman, that would feel very afflicted, if forced to leave the house built by her brother, and in which She had spent her life, that the Commissioners would not press her to give up the possession.

Mr Colfer also stated that She would give two pounds to the Subscription to pay the rent, and if the matter was settled She would ensure that the rent would be paid. She asked that the Commissioners would give a Month for having the rent settled. That if Mrs Elms was removed she believed it would shorten her life.

Ordered — That the Clerk inform Mr Colfer

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that the Commissioners will give the Months for making arrangements about Mr Elvins rent.

The following was read.

Kildare Street Club: Dublin
Feb. 12th 1896.

Dear Mr Tobin

I am much obliged to you for sending me the printed Accounts of New Ross Harbour. It will be very convenient for me to have them in that form when I return home.

J. Tobin Esqr

Yours faithfully
Charles G Tottenham

The following was read.

No. 5.692 : 1896
New Ross (Town).

Local Government Board
Dublin, 13th February 1896

Sir,

I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 7th instant, and, in reply, I am to state that the matter referred to by you is one in regard to which the New Ross Town Commissioners must be guided by legal advice.

I am
Sir,
Your obedient Servant
D Mac Sheahan
Assistant Secretary.

W. Tobin Esqr
Executive Sanitary Officer.

The following was read

To the Town Commissioners, New Ross.

Gentlemen

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Gentlemen,

I have this day inspected the repairs done on the roof of the Tholsel and found the work done Satisfactorily and according to the Specification.

I hereby Certify that the Contractor is entitled to receive payment for the above work.

Your obedient Servant

Feb. 19th 1896 Andrew Cullen

The following was read

Offices, New Rop, 19th February 1896.

Dear Sir,

Refering to my interview with Messrs Murphy Butler and Byrne last evening, I have since seen Mr Browne with a view to ascertaining whether a settlement of Brennan's Claim against the Commissioners Can be arrived at. Mr Browne informed me that he is not at present in a position to Compromise the Claim on any terms, as he has not authority from his Client to do so, but he will be prepared to advise his Client to settle if what he deems a proper Offer is made by the Commissioners. I dont quite know what Mr Browne's idea of a proper Offer would be but I gather from him that his Client would expect £100.

I saw in my opinion, if an action is brought there will be a Verdict against the Commissioners for at least £50, and if the action is tried in the Superior Courts, this Verdict would entail the payment of Costs to the amount of not less

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less than £100, so that the total loss Could not be put down at less than £150. Even if the action were remitted to the Quarter Sessions Court for trial, (and this would be by no means Certain) the Costs of both Sides would be probably £20, making the total loss of £80. I mention these figures so that the Commissioners may have some basis to go upon in Considering What offer they would be disposed to authorise me to make Mr Browne.

I should mention that my Conversation with the men engaged in the blasting operations does not alter the View I have already expressed as to the liability of the Commissioners.

Yours very truly

John R Colfer

I think this letter should not be made public

L.R.C.

John Robin Esqr

Town Clerk New Ross.

The Chairman stated that at the interview between Mr Colfer and the Committee, Mr Colfer stated that he would send the result to the meeting by letter. The letter read was the the letter he promised to send

Ordered – That the Body of the Town Commissi-
-oners be appointed a Committee to Consider

Mr

Mr Calfer's letter &c

The Members present entered into the duties of the Committee to Consider Mr Colfers letter.

After due Consideration the Members recommended that the Meeting be adjourned to Friday next 21st inst to be ready to hear any further instructions that might be receiving from Mr Colfer

In Reference to the finding of some documents, make difficult to find, by the different removals of papers back and forward during November and December for painting and papering of the rooms and again during the holding of the Ball Field in all the rooms in January, the Clerk was directed to get Michael Callahan to give him and for a week. Also to state at next Meeting what M. Calahan would Charge for his services

The Meeting was adjourned to Friday 21st February 1896.

1896—
February 21st

Friday 21st February — An Adjourned Meeting of the Town Commissioners to be held this day at 8½ Oclock P.M. To Consider any advice that may come from Mr Colfer respecting Brennan's Claim for injury done to his daughter. Present— Messrs—

Henry G. Hinson
David Murphy, Chairman
Peter Murphy
John Butler

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A Quorum not having assembled the Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 26th Febmary 1896

Mr P. J. Byrne attended after the adjournment of the meeting had been declared ore.

1896 —
February 26th

Wednesday 26th Febmary. A meeting of the Town Commissioners, and Street ~~acting as the New Rossmahon Sanitary Authority~~ Committee held this day after ½ O'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the ~~Public Health~~ Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Present — Messrs Matthew Hutchinson, in the Chair

Matthew J. Finn
James Dowling
John Butler
Michael Hickey

Cheques were issued for the following

Weekly Bill ——— £3.18.3

Daniel Cody — load of limestones supplied 2.4.0

The following was read

New Ross Boat Club Committee Rooms, 24th Feb 1896

Dear Sir,

I am directed by by the Committee of the above Club, to apply to you for the use of the large Room, Thereof, for our Annual General Meeting on Tuesday 3rd March at 8.30 P.M.

Kindly lay the Matter before Your next

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next meeting and oblige

Yours truly

John Gabbin
Town Clerk New Ross.

Christopher Moran.
Hon. Sec.

Ordered — That the use of the room be given to the New Ross Boat Club for holding their Annual Meeting at 8.30, 3rd March 1896.

The following was read.

Preservation of the Memorials of the Dead Ireland.

Halloden, Bagnalstown, Co. Carlow,
21st February 1896.

Dear Sir,

As I am collecting what notes I can of your Town before the Meeting of the Royal Society of Antiquaries there I shall feel much obliged if you will kindly send me any notes you can concerning

1. The Seal of the Town, and to send me an Impression from it if you have the Matrix.

2. The dates and particulars of the demolition of each of the Gates of the Town so far as you can — Also — the date and Cost of the present Bridge.

The dates and particulars of the two fine Silver Maces you have and any other Corporation Ornaments.

What Charters have you? are they Originals or Copies?

I have already published in the Journal of the Royal Society of Antiquaries of Ireland extracts

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extracts from your earliest Corporation Books &c and hope to Continue them

Have you any old Maps of Rosp.s or do you know anyone in Ros who has any; they would be interesting to have exhibited.

Hoping you will excuse this trouble

I remain Yours very truly

Philip D. Vigors,

Col.

I am anxious to find out where the three Stone Coffins are, one is in St. Marys I know.

Ordered — That the Clerk furnish Col. Vigors with the particulars asked for in his letter, as far as he can ascertain them and as soon as he can.

The following were read

Offices New Ros. 24th Feb. 1896

Brennan V. Commissioners.

Dear Sir,

We enclose Copy letter received to day from Mr Browne..

We shall be glad to have instructions as to what reply will be made to this letter in course of the week.

Yours very truly

Colfer & Gethin

John Tobin Esqr.

Town Clerk, New Ros.

Copy Mr Brownes letter.

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Priory Place New Rop. 24th February 1896.

Brennan V. The Town Commissioners.

Sir,

In reference to our Conversation suggesting a Settlement in reference to this Case, I beg to Say that I have now seen my Client, Mr Thomas Brennan and he instructs me to state that he is Willing to take the Sum of £100 in full Settlement of all Claims I would be glad to hear from you in answer to this letter within one Week, otherwise I must issue a Writ for damages on behalf of my Client.

This offer is of Course Without prejudice.

Yours truly

Wm Fras Browne

John R. Calfer Esqr
Solicitor for the New Rop
Town Commissioners.
New Rop.

Ordered – That this Meeting be adjourned to Friday 28th February to Consider the steps to be taken respecting Messrs – Calfer & Gethins letter and Mr Browne's letter respecting Brennans Claim for damages for the injury received by his daughter – The Members to be Noticed to attend.

Omission ⊕

The Meeting was adjourned to Friday 28th February 1896.

⊕ Ordered – That M Callaham be engaged for one week to assist the Clerk in searching for papers &c in the Office that are required very much, his remuneration to be 25/- for the Week.

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1896 — Friday 28th February — ~~Monday 2nd March~~
February 28th An Adjourned Meeting of the Town Commissioners to be held this day at 7½ Oclock P. M. to transact business and Consider a letter from Messrs — Calfer and Gethin respecting Brennans Claim for the injury done to his daughter. Attendance important

Members present — Messrs —
Matthew I. Finn
Matthew Hutchinson

A Quorum not having attended the Meeting was adjourned to 8½ Oclock P.M. Monday 2nd March 1896.

1896 — Monday 2nd March — Monthly Meeting day
March 2nd No attendance of Members.
The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 4th March 1896.

1896 — Monday 2nd March An Adjourned
March 2nd Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day at 8½ O'clock P.M. To transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 — Also — To Consider a letter from Messrs — Calfer & Gethin respecting Brennans Claim for the injury done to his daughter Attendance is important.

Members present — Messrs —
David Murphy Chairman in the Chair

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Patrick Kennedy
Peter Murphy
Matthew J. Firm
Peter J. Byrne
Matthew Hutchinson
John Butler.

The Letters from Messrs Colfer & Gethin and from Mr Browne respecting Brennan's Claim for the injury done to his daughter were read received and entered in Minutes of last weekly Meeting

After some Conversation on the subject the following ~~Order~~ Resolution was unanimously passed in reference thereto, on being Proposed by Mr Kennedy and Seconded by Mr Firm — That the Committee appointed to Confer with Messrs — Colfer & Gethin respecting Brennan's Claim generally for the injury received by his daughter — Messrs — D. Murphy, P. J. Byrne, & J. Butler — be now requested to proceed to have an interview with Messrs — Colfer and Gethin and instruct them on the part of the Town Commissioners to offer £40 as Compensation and three Guineas as Costs, in Settlement of Brennan's Claim, but if they find it necessary to arrive at a Settlement that they be authorized to offer £50, to Cover the Claim for injury to the girl, and all Costs Connected therewith.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 11th March 1896.

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1896 —
March 3rd

Tuesday 3rd March — A meeting of the Committee appointed to confer with Messrs Colfer & Gethin Respecting the Claim from Brennan for the injury done to his daughter, held this day after 11 Oclock A.M.

Present — Mssrs
David Murphy
John Butler
Peter J Byrne

The Committee proceeded to confer with Mr Colfer. They explains to him the terms of the Resolution passed at Mondays Meeting.

The Committe stated to Mr Colfer that if there was a small amount Claimed over the £50 to let the Commissioners Know and they would Consider it at a Meeting of the Commissioners.

The Meeting was adjourned.

1896 —
March 4th

Wednesday 4th March — A weekly and an adjourned Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and of the Street Committee to be held this day at ½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Members in attendance

David Murphy Chairman
Peter Murphy

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Matthew Hutchinson

A Quorum not having attended, the Meeting was adjourned to Thursday 5th March 1896. The Clerk to issue urgent notices to the members to attend to Consider letters receive from Mr Colfer respecting Brennans Claim for the injury received by his daughter.

After the adjournment the following Members attended — Mssrs —

Patrick Hunt

Matthew I. Finn

1896 — March 5th — Thursday 5th March — An Adjourned Weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee and An Adjourned Monthly Meeting held this day at 7 o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 — Also — "To Consider and decide on Correspondence received from Mr Colfer respecting the action of Brennan for injury received by his daughter". Present — Mssrs —

David Murphy, Chairman, in the Chair

Patrick Hunt

Peter I. Byrne

Matthew Hutchinson

Peter Murphy

Matthew I. Finn

Michael Hickey

Patrick Kennedy

The weekly Bill amounted to — £6.2.2

Inspectors

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Inspectors Report — On ~~Monday~~ Thursday last I. got the Carman to bring out a load of broken bottles from the Yard in March Lane to the depot in Cherry road He threw the load over more bottles that was at the depot. On the Monday after I got Curran and Scanlan with hand barrow and removed the bottles inside about twenty feet. Last week John Fitz Gerald summoned James Flinn the Carman. He was fined Two shillings and Six pence, and Cost one shilling and six pence.

There are four heaps of manure finished in the Commissioners' Yard ready for sale.

Sent notice to Philip Kelly of Palace, the Contractor for the Crutchtown Lane repairs done to the footpath on the South side of Crutchtown, where there are hollows, and the water standing in them there is some repairing done there since.

Ordered — That the manure on hands be advertised for sale — The proposals to be received at next Meeting.

A Communication was read from James Flynn saying — It was by

by your Inspector that I was ordered to unload the broken bottles, for which I was fined 2/6 and Cost. I hope Gentlemen that you shall have no blame to me for doing what I was ordered to do.

The Inspector was Called before the meeting and stated that he had directed Flynn to take the bottles from the manure yard and deposit them in the space at the side of the road where they had been usually put; that when Flynn went to do so he found other bottles there and could not put them farther in where he used to put them, as J. Fitzgerald the Contractor had manure and the stones in it.

In a Conversation it appeared that sometime back the Commissioners had entered into a tenancy with the late A. B. Cherry for the quarried space at the East side of the Creywell Road. opposite Cherry's Garden

The Clerk was directed to the particulars from the Minutes as to the negocations with Mr Cherry about the Tenancy.

A Communication was read from John O'Connor, South Street — Saying — Before paying your Water Rate Collector his Claim for one years Rate, I thought I should lay My Case before your meeting for their Consideration, as I Consider it a hardship to be Compelled to pay for water while I have

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have not got any for more than
Twelve months

I frequently Complained to Mr Redmond that I used not get Water, only in small quantity and that for only four or five months. This was in past years I also got the Piping in my Yard repaired with a hope that I might get a better supply, but I got none so I hope you will give my Case a favourable hearing, and maintime I wish to get the pipe examined, and I will get a new pipe put on

Ordered — That Jno O'Connor be informed that the Commissioners cannot make any deduction from his pipe Water rent, as he did not write to the Commissioners Office asking to have the pipe Cut Off. That the Commissioners men will open the ground at the junction of Mr O'Connors branch pipe with the main pipe, to enable Mr O'Connor to have the junction examined and if found obstructed or defective that he may get it properly adjusted.

The Clerk reported that Ms Sweetman had called and asked for paint to paint the window frames and woodwork

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treatment of her house and that she would get the painting done, She also asked that the back door of her house be adjusted as it has lowered so as to make it very difficult to be opened or shut.

It was agreed that a Carpenter be got to adjust the door. The Consideration of the painting was adjourned.

The following was read

Offices New Ross 4th March 1896

Dear Sir,

Referring to our letter of the 16th December last requesting instructions about the Farm Grant applied for by the Rev Elliott Carr, We have received a letter from his Solicitor Complaining of delay and pressing to have the matter Completed

Please bring our previous letter under notice of the Commissioners and let us have their instructions.

Yours faithfully
Colfer & Gethin

John Tobin
Town Clerk, New Ross.

In Consideration of the letter was adjourned to next meeting.

The following were read

Offices, ~~4th March~~ New Ross, 4th March 1896

Brennan V. Town Commissioners

Dear Sir

I enclose Copy a letter received last evening Mr Browne, Solicitor, I fear

Contesting

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Contesting this Claim will Cost the Commissioners more than £85. but as they appear to think otherwise, or at all events Consider they will not be justified in paying more than I have offered in their behalf, I presume nothing more can be done in the way of a Settlement.

Yours faithfully
John R Calfer

John Tobin
Town Clerk, New Ross

Fr Browne's Letter.

Priory place, New Ross 3rd March 1896

Brennan V Town Commissioners.

Dear Sir,

In answer to yours just received I beg to say that my Client, while refusing your Offer of £50. Mill, for peace sake accept £80 and £5. Costs in settlement if paid forthwith.

This Offer is without prejudice and I trust the Commissioners will see their way to adopting it as otherwise proceedings must be instituted as mentioned in my previous letter

John R Calfer Esqr
Solicitor
New Ross.

Yours truly
Wm Fras Browne

Ordered — That Mr Calfer be informed that

that the Commissioners will not increase their Offer for a Settlement of the Case of Brennan v. the Town Commissioners beyond what the Committee instructed him on ~~the~~ 3rd Instant - to offer £50 which was Cover all Costs. That if that offer is not accepted against the 7th Instant, the Commissioners withdraw that offer.

A Bill was sent from J. O'Shea and P. Canall for time spent in the Commissioners Service - 4 days @ 2/- for P. Canall - 8/-
4 days for J. O'Shea @ 2/6 — 10/-

After some Conversation it was agreed that they be paid three days wages & to be entered in next weekly Bill

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 11th March 1896.

1896 — March 11th — Wednesday 11th March — A weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 4 o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.
Members Present — Mess —
David Murphy, Chairman, in the Chair
William Murphy
Matthew Hutchinson
Matthew J. Finn
Patrick Kennedy

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The Weekly Bill amounted to £4.19.0

Proposals for Manure were received from P J Roche for 5 heaps @ 25/- per heap

From Miss M A Whitney for one heap of manure @ 22/6

Ordered — That P J Roches proposal for five heaps of manure @ 25/- per heap be accepted.

Ordered — That Miss Whitney be informed that she can have the next heap of manure made for 22/6 if she approves of taking it.

Inspectors Report — At the quarry in Cherry Road John Fitzgerald has a heap of manure there sixty nine feet long and stones and gravel sixty feet long the place is all taken up by him at the present time, and that is what prevented Flynn from throwing the broken bottles in the proper place inside the day he went out.

The repairs have been finished on the roof of Mrs Ekins house in William Street by Michael Cahill a Commissioners man, on this

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Meek. He made up the back mall that fell down with the ~~bad~~ soft weather.

Ordered — That the Clerk get the Correspondence and personal Communications respecting the Tenancy of the Commissioners taking the quarry from the late McCleery

The following was read

Morrisons Hotel Dublin
10th March 1896.

Dear Mr Tobin

In reference to the Taxation of the Town Commissioners Costs, I will feel much obliged by Your writing me a letter to-morrow stating that neither you nor the Commissioners ever questioned, or desired to question or instructed Mr Hearn to question the accuracy of My Charges for attendance at Clonroche Presentment Sessions on the different occasions Charged in the Bill of Costs. I want this letter because the matter of these attendances is likely to come before the Taxing Master again on Thursday Next.

Yours Truly
John R. Colfer

John Tobin
Town Clerk New Ross

The Clerk Stated that Mr Gethin came with the letter and stated that the letter asked for would be required on Thursday before the Taxing

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Taxing Master next day and the letter would require to be posted on the evening of the 11th. He Clerk tried to have the letter before the meeting for the Commissioners to express their opinion on it but Mr Gethin said it would be too late.

As there had been no objection or directions to have them Charges objected to the Clerk produced the Copy of the letter he wrote as he believed the Commissioners would direct the letter to be written in the same Wording, or Substance as which it had been sent.

Approved.

Large Room given for Dramatic performance

A Communication was read from M Rock Hon. Sec. New Ros Dramatic Club. Stating that the Members intended giving a private entertainment in the large Room on St Patricks Night, and respectfully begged to ask if the Commissioners would permit them to use the Gas and on that evening and also grant them the use of the small upper Office up stairs to dress and also give the loan of any seats they Conveniently Can lend them for which they will feel much obliged

Ordered - That the application be

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Granted and that the seats and Chairs be lent for the night.

A Circular was read from Jame James O'Connor Clerk of the Wexford union saying he was directed to send the following Resolution for adoption and if adopted that a Copy be sent to the County M.P.'s and to the Chief Secretary

— At a Specially Convened Meeting of the Wexford Board of Guardians on the 22nd ultimo it was proposed by C. H. Reacroke Esqr J.P., seconded by Lord Maurice Fitzgerald H. M. L. and passed with acclamation:—

That we hereby Call on the Government to pass into Law a County Government Act on the same lines as that at present in force in England and Wales.

Proposed by M^r Kennedy
Seconded by M^r Finn

That the Resolution passed by the Wexford Board of Guardians in favour of a County Government Act be adopted and a Copy sent to each of our County Members and to the Chief Secretary.

Passed Unanimously

Ordered — That W. Cordell be engaged to take photographs of the Sweeping Machine and Mud Cart to be used in Offering them for sale.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 18th March 1896.

Mr Jacques — Mark the Clerk write to Fitzsimons & King Town to make drawing of the Sweeping Machine and Mud Cart.

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1896 — March 18th — Wednesday 18th March — A Weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee to be held this day at 7½ Oclock P.M. pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 — Also to Consider Steps to be taken respecting a Writ of Summons Served on behalf of Brennan for the injury done to his daughter

Members in attendance Mepss —
Dawd Murphy Chairman
Matthew J. Finn
Michael Hickey
Matthew Hutchinson

A Quorum not having assembled the Meeting was adjourned to Thursday 19th March 1896.

1896 — March 19th — Thursday 19th March — An Adjourned Weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 — Also — To Consider Steps to be taken respecting a Writ of Summons Served on behalf of Brennan for the injury done to his daughter.

Attendance is of the utmost importance.

Members present — Mepss —
David Murphy, Chairman in the Chair
John Butler

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Matthew J. Finn
Matthew Hutchinson
James Dowling
Michael Hickey

Cheques were issued for the following amounts

Weekly Bill ——— £4.9.2

The following was read

Offices, New Ros. 19th March 1896.

Dear Sir

In reply to your inquiry we expect to have this arrangement of Mr Galavan's premises ready for execution by Tuesday next.

Yours very truly
Calfer & Gethin

John Tobin, Town Clerk
New Ros.

The Clerk submitted the following Writ of Summons served on him by D. Daley Monday 16th March 1896.

Writ of Summons. 1896 — No 1242
In the High Court of Justice in Ireland.
Exchequer Division.

Between —

Alice Brennan an infant under the age of 21 years by Thomas Brennan her Father and next friend

Plaintiff.

and

John Tobin Clerk of the Town Commissioners of the Town of New Ros in the County of Wexford

Defendant.

Victoria by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom

Stamp 2/—

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Kingdom of Great Britain and
Ireland Queen, Defender of the
~~Faith~~ and so forth; To
John Robin
Of New Ross
in the County of Wexford, Clerk of the Town
Commissioners of the Town of New Ross in the
County of Wexford —
We Command You, That within
Ten Days after the of this Writ on
You, exclusive of the day of such
Service, You do cause an Appear
-ance to be entered for You in
an Action at the suit of
Alice Brennan an infant under the age of
21 years by Thomas Brennan, her next friend
And take notice that in default
of Your so doing, the Plaintiff
may may proceed therein, and Judg-
-ment may be given in Your
absence. (Seal)
Witness the Right Hon Edward Baron Ashbourne
Lord High Chancellor of Ireland the
12th day of March in the Year of Our
Lord one thousand eight hundred
and Ninety six.

N. B. This Writ is to be Served Within
Twelve Calender Months from the date
thereof, or if renewed, within six
Calender Months from the date of the

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last renewal, including the day of such date and not afterwards.

The Defendant may appear hereto by entering an Appearance either personally or by Solicitor at the Record & Pleadings office of the above Division at the Four Courts, Dublin

The Plaintiffs claim is for £200 for damages for personal injuries sustained by the Plaintiff through the negligence of the Town Commissioners of the Town of Newbop in the County of Wexford whose Clerk the Defendant John Lobin is and for the negligence of the Agents servants workmen and employes of the said Commissioners and for the negligence of the said Commissioners and their Agents servants workmen and employes in quarrying and blasting stones in a Certain quarry at Newbop in the County of Wexford whereby the Plaintiff was injured and for breach of statutory and other duties by the said Commissioners while quarrying stones in the said quarry.

(Signed) John Makely

This Writ was issued by William F. Browne, whose registered place of business is No 25 Suffolk-street in the City of Dublin, Solicitor for the said Plaintiff who resides at Mount Elliott near Newbop in the County of Wexford and is a Spinster and her said next friend is a Labourer and resides at the same place

This Writ was served by me at in the County of on Defendant day the day of 189

Indorsed the day of 189

Signed _____

Address _____

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(Endorsement on Back)

~~In the High~~ 1896 — to 1242

In the High Court of Justice in Ireland

Exchequer Division

Alice Brennan by Thomas Brennan

—v—

John Robin

Issued on day of 189

Served on day of 189

Affidavit of Service day of 189

" debt day of 189

Appearance day of 189

Claim day of 189

Defence day of 189

Joinder of Issue day of 189

Notice of Motion day of 189

Judgment day of 189

Total £

Execution day of 189

For

William J Browne

Plaintiffs Solicitor

25 Suffolk- ~~Strut~~ Dublin

and New Ros Co. Wexford

Ordered — That the Clerk bring the Writ of Summons Served on him & Mr Colfer and ask him to enter into the necessary defence — That as the plaintiff has no means that Mr Colfer

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Colfer he requested to get the Case remitted to the County Court for trial to save unnecessary expense

The Clerk submitted the particulars respecting the taking of the quarry at East side of Creywell road by the Town Commissioners from Messrs Cherry Brothers.

1892 - Sept 8th Mr Tierneys report that Mr A.B. Cherry Consented to let the quarry Space at Creywell road to the Town Commissioners at 2/6 per annum. Also the Order - by the Meeting that the Commissioners Consented to enter into the Tenancy for the quarry Space at 2/6 per annum.

October 15th Letter Sent by the Clerk to Mr Cherry stating that. On report from Mr Tierney of their interview the Commissioners agreed to pay 2/6 for the quarried Space referred to

October 26th Letter from Mr A B Cherry Confirming the Agreement of the letting and Tenancy to the Town Commissioners. The Rent to Commence on the 25th September 1892.

Ordered - That the Clerk Submit the particulars to Mr Colfer and ask him the Steps to be taken if any be

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be necessary, to Confirm the Tenancy.

~~The Meeting was adjourned to Thurs day 26th March 1896 — Wednesday being a Holyday.~~

A Communication & Circular was read from I. I. Carter Secretary to the Dublin Jurors Association respecting the "Payment of Jurors Bill" now before Parliament.

The Circular referred to amendments to be made in the Bill.

The Consideration of the Circular was referred to next Meeting.

The Meeting was adjourned to Thursday 26th March 1896 — Wednesday being a Holyday.

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Thursday 26th March. A meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day at 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Members present —

Matthew Hutchinson

Matthew J. Finn

A Quorum not having assembled the Meeting was adjourned to Friday 27th March 1896.

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March 27th — Adjourned Meeting of the Lawn Commi-
-ssioners and Street Committee, held this
day at ½ O'clock P.M. to transact busi
-ness pursuant to the Towns Improve-
-ment (Ireland) Act 1854 — Also To
transact Adjourned business —
respecting Brennan's Claim for injury
done to his daughter.

No attendance of Members

The Meeting was adjourned to Monday
30th March 1896.

1896 — Monday 30th March An adjourned
March 30th — Weekly Meeting of the Lawn Commissi
-oners and Street Committee held this
day at ½ O'clock P.M. to transact
business pursuant to the Towns Improve-
-ment (Ireland) Act 1854 — Also — "To
Consider steps to be taken immediately
taken respecting a letter received
from McCalfer respecting Brennan's
Claim which requires Speedy and earnest
Consideration". Members present — Messrs —
Matthew Hutchinson, in the Chair.
John Butler
Patrick Kennedy
James Dowling
Patrick Hunt

The weekly Bill amounted to £4. 11. 0

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The following were read.

Offices, New Ross 27th March 1896.

Brennan V. The Commissioners.

Dear Sir,

I have served notice of Motion to remit this action for trial to Quarter Sessions, and the Motion will probably be heard early next week. Dr Meehan's Affidavit as to the nature and effect of the Girls injuries is very weak and I am strongly of opinion that the Court will Consider the Case too serious to remit, and that they will refuse the Motion. At the same time, it is worth making the attempt to have the Case remitted, because the Cost of both sides in a remitted action would probably not exceed £20, Whereas the Costs of both sides in an action in the Superior Court in Dublin would ~~probably not exceed~~ be from £100 to £150.

Having regard to all the Circumstances and to my opinion, that ~~all~~ the plaintiff is likely to recover substantial damages I would again suggest to the Commissioners the prudence of accepting the terms offered by plaintiffs Solicitor, if these terms would now be offered.

Yours truly
John R Calfer

John Tobin
Town Clerk New Ross.

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The Clerk stated that the foregoing letter was received on Friday night after the meeting was adjourned. Also, that Mr Calfer called on this evening and to the office and wrote the following for this meeting. —

New Ros 30th 3/96

Brennan V. Commissioners.

Dear Sir,

I think it right to mention that since writing on Friday, I submitted a full statement of facts to Counsel and asked him if he would advise settling for £100 and Costs and he wired to day that he would advise a settlement on these terms.

Yours faithfully

John Lobin

John R Calfer.

After a long Conversation the following order was unanimously adopted.

That Mr Calfer be requested to offer & pay £80 and £6- Costs as claimed in Mr Browne's letter of the 3rd Instant- and if that is not accepted to offer the amount suggested by Mr Calfers Counsel - £100 and Costs.

~~The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday~~

Inspectors Report- The Watering Cart will require a Coat of painting as a new had to be put on late last year

and

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and John Keogh will have to take off the outlet and pipe that gives out water for the street and have it cleaned out as the water did not come free for some time past

Prop Seconded by W Kennedy
Seconded by W Butler

That as a mark of our sympathy and Condolence with Mr P. J. Byrne an esteemed member of our body, in his, and his Family's bereavement, Caused by the death of his Father-in-law, Mr James Keating, We adjourn this Meeting Without transacting any business except signing the Cheques for the Workmans Wages and instructing our Solicitor on a Matter of very Urgent and heavy legal responsibility and probable increase of heavy law Costs.

Passed Unanimously

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 1st April 1896.

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1896 — April 1st

Wednesday 1st April — A weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854

Also — To Consider important letters from M^r Colfer and M^r Browne respecting Brennans Claim. <u>Every days delay in Settlement is increasing heavy Costs.</u>

Members present — Mayor —
Matthew Hutchinson, in the Chair
Peter Murphy
Michael Hickey
Matthew I Finn
Patrick Hunt

Cheques were issued for the following amounts

Weekly Bill ——— £4.12.0
M. M^c Lyrath, Commission on Collections as per account rendered ——— 12.1.10
G. W. Carr Collector, County Cess as per a/c rendered 6.3.5

In reference to the Inspectors report at meeting held on the 30th Instant —

Ordered — That the painting of the watering Cart be referred to the Street Committee, to Consider and direct how it is to be done.

The following were read.

Preservation of the Memorials of Dead Ireland

Holloden, Bagenalstown, (Co Carlow) 27th March 1896.

Dear Sir

I hasten to Convey to you my thanks for the additional notes you have kindly

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Kindly sent me about the City Maces and other matters of interest in Your town. The rubbings and Seals are Valuable. I think McCullen much over estimates the age of the Mace E.R. It is of 2 Elizabeths time.

The enclosed prospectus may interest you ~~as~~ you may. ~~Wrote to let me know if Yours friends~~ like to let some of your friends see it who are interested in the preservation and better ordering of our Irish burial Grounds.

W. P. McLoskin — Yours very truly
Town Clerk - New Ross. — Philip D. Kyans

P. S. I am glad to see the Photographs You sent. I will bring them back to you when I visit Ros.

The Programme referred to was annexed.

I appealed to Clergy and ~~others~~ Laity & the present generally very disgrace-ful state of burial grounds in Ireland and to enlist their sympathy and active aid in getting them into better order, and enclosed, where they require it; to shrine & have them preserved and protected and treated with the respect and veneration due to them.

2 To secure a record of all existing tombs and Monuments of any interest by having their

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inscriptions Carefully and accurately Copied; and to obtain information, as far as possible, of those that have been removed or destroyed.

3 To watch Carefully Carried on in, and about Churches &c so as to prevent injury to monuments and tomb stones.

4 To repair Locumbs of national interest where present representatives of the deceased are not in a position to do so, and that the funds admit of it (as in the Case of Richard Millikin's Tombstone at Douglas Co. Cork — the Author of the "Groves of Blarney" — which has been done, as well as Several others).

5. To print annually a journal with illustrations and Copies of Ancient Memorials of the dead in this Country as may be thought desirable.

This journal is issued free to Subscribers.

6. The printing of extracts of interest from Chapter-books, parochial and other registers and records, is thought very desirable and the Clergy are earnestly requested to furnish them, as well as any other information they Can give Connected with their Churches and Parishes, and used and disused burial-grounds

7 Accounts of ancient fonts, bells, Church plate, and memorial glass, are also requested with Sketches, Photographs or rubbings, where Convenient, and Copies of inscriptions thereon,

will

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Will be thankfully received.

It is hoped that in Course of time, through the help of this Work, a Complete list of all tombstones and Monuments now in existence and legible, may be formed the great Value of which it is unnecessary to enlarge upon here.

To enable the Editors to Carry on the above Work, Subscriptions are absolutely necessary and are earnestly requested.

Life Subscriptions — Five Pounds
Annual do — Five Shillings

All Subscriptions to be sent to

Colonel P. D. Vigors
Halloden, Bagnalstown, Co Carlow

Copies of some of the Reports for back years Can still be had on application to Col Vigors. At present only 200 Copies of the Journal are ~~published~~ printed which will Cause them to be difficult to obtain after a few Years.

Halloden, Bagnalstown (Co Carlow)
XIXth March 1896.

Dear Sir

I hasten to acknowledge the safe receipt of Your parcel of Rolls papers and to tender You my sincere thanks for them and for the trouble

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trouble you have taken in putting them together, when you had so much of other work to occupy your valuable time. I can fully understand the trouble and worry of having your records so thoroughly disarranged.

Since I first wrote to you I have obtained much information. Indeed I think I have now more than sufficient for papers, which the time at our disposal must regulate the length of, and not the lack of materials.

I have both the little works you so thoughtfully sent me. Mr Hughes and Mr O'Leary. I am personally acquainted with the latter, and have at all times received everything he could give me in a generous manner.

I also know Mr Cullen who has been equally good in offering me help. Of Mr Ben Hughes' kindness all who know him must be well aware. I have the pleasure of knowing him also personally, and have received information at all times from him on Archaeology &c

Mr H. L. Tattenham is my first Cousin He is dangerously ill. Indeed I am daily expecting to hear of his death. I know he had much of interest about your old town and family MSS. ~~That~~ It that I have published in the Journal of the Royal Society of Antiquaries

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of the Corporation of Rop. more of
which I hope will appear in the
same journal in future.

My paper must be only an outline
sketch. Others may and I hope will
fill in the details at a future time.

The only thing I think you have not
replied to is about the Maces. I
wish I had a rubbing of the Coats
of Arms on them their lengths, and if of
Silver.

I shall return your papers to morrow
Kindly send me a post Card to say they
arrive safely. Yours very truly
W. John Tobin Philip D. Vigors
Town Clerk, New Rop

A letter was read from W. John Cheeners
Shallows Park respecting the flagging
of the footpath in Mary street from Church
Lane to the Houghton Ferren Hospital.

Ordered — That W. Cheeners letter be referred
to next Meeting the Members to be noticed to
attend.

The following were read

Offices, New Rop 1st April 1896.

Brennan v. Commrs

Dear Sir,

I enclose Copy letter just
now

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now received from Mr Browne Solicitor. I had a long discussion with him yesterday, and I gathered from him that the plaintiff is not likely to accept less than the £125 named by Mr Browne.

As to whether the Commissioners shall pay this sum or not I must leave to themselves to decide, but in my opinion the Court of Exchequer will probably refuse to remit the action, and if this should happen and the Case be tried in Dublin it is very likely that the Costs of both sides will amount to about £125 in addition to Whatever damages may be awarded the Plaintiff, who I understand is under treatment in a Dublin Hospital.

Yours very truly
John R Colfer

John Robin
Town Clerk New Ross

Copy.

Priory place New Ross 1st April 1896.

Brennan & Carr.

Dear Sir,

I have seen My Client who instructs me to say he will accept £125 in Settlement to Cover everything, legal, travelling and Medical expenses.

Having regard to the ~~legal~~ Medical opinion he has with regard to the injuries done to his daughter, he will not accept any less than this sum. A reply will oblige

this

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This is of Course without prejudice

Yours faithfully

Wm Fras Browne

Messrs —
Colfer & Gethin
Solrs Newrop.

Ordered — That in View of the advice of Our Solicitor, fortified as it is by that of Counsel, to settle the Case for £100 —, and as a lesser Sum than £125 will not at present be accepted by the Plaintiffs Solicitor in Settlement of the Case, We do not Consider Ourselves justified in the interests of the Ratepayers, in running the risk of incurring Heavy law Costs and accordingly Order Our Solicitor to offer the Sum of £125 in full Settlement of Claim and all Costs should he be unable to obtain its settlement for a lesser Sum, provided We Can legally increase our Original Offer of £50 without Notice of Motion having been served to rescind that Order.

The following was read

Offices, Newrop 1st April 1896

Dear Sir

I enclose the Taxing Masters Certificate of Taxation of My Costs both Bills having been included in one Taxation

and

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and amounting in the whole to £144
-10-8 which includes £2.11.6 paid Wm Hearn
for his attendance in the Taxation on
behalf of the Commissioners. A Cheque
when Convenient will oblige

Yours truly

John Robin
Town Clerk.
New Rop.

John R. Colfer

The Certificate from the Taxing Master for the sum of One hundred and forty four pounds ten shillings and Eight Pence was also received.

Ordered — That the Consideration of Mr Colfers letter and Certificate be adjourned ~~Considered~~ to ~~at~~ next Meeting for Consideration.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 8th April 1896.

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Wednesday 8th April — A weekly and an adjourned Monthly meeting of the Town Commissioners and of the Street Committee held this day after ½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854— Also — To stop proceedings in the Case of Brennan V. the Town Commissioners by a payment — Also — To Consider a proposition for flagging the footpaths in upper Mary street. Attendance is of Importance.

Members present — Messrs — David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
John Butler
Matthew Hutchinson
William Murphy
Peter Murphy

Cheques were issued for the following amts

Weekly Bill ——— £4.17.0

Messrs — Golfer & Gethin Solicitors, to pay Claim for damage and Costs of the Case, to

Wm Browne, solicitor, for the injury done to Thos Brennan by the blasting in Johnst quarry £125.0.0

John Robin, Clerk, ¼ Salary due 7th Instant 18.15.0

The Clerk reported that he had Consulted Mr Golfer respecting the Order passed at the Meeting held on the 30th March directing that £80 and £5 Costs &c

Mas

Claimed in Mr Browne's letter of the 3rd March, and if that was not accepted to offer the sum suggested by Mr Colfer Counsel — £100 and Costs. He asked Mr Colfer if the Commissioners Could legally offer more without rescinding that order might be illegal and objected to by the Auditor Mr Colfer replied that the Commissioners Could offer a larger sum when it was necessary to do so, to avoid increased and and perhaps very heavy Costs, as Brennans daughter was in a Dublin Hospital and he feared he Could not get the Case remitted to the County Court in Wexford. That he thought the Auditor would be more likely to Surcharge the Commissioners who would increase the Costs by litigation, much above the Sum they Could Settle it for, by going against legal advice

The following was read

Offices, New Ross, 7th April 1896

Brennan V. The Commissioners

Dear Sir,

Please bear in mind to get a Cheque for £125 signed at the meeting of the Commissioners. I think it will be better to have the Cheque drawn in my favour and I will give my own Cheque to Mr Browne.

Yours very truly

John Colfer

John Robin
Town Clerk, New Ross.

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Ordered – That a Cheque be filled in favour of Messrs Calpen & Gethin for £125 & pay Mr Brown Solicitor for all Claim for damage and law Costs in the Case of Breman v. The Town Commissioners.

A Document was received from William Cockburn Transfer Officer, Bank of Ireland Dublin saying A form of letter of Attorney for the Sale of interest of a Sum of New Consols £83-16-2, all standing in the Names of Commissioners for building a Bridge over the river near New Ross, has been prepared for execution and issued, and I am to request the favour that you will under your own signature or that of your Vice Chairman, inform me that the above mentioned letter of Attorney has been applied for with the Sanction of your Board, and that the Seal of the Corporation has been affixed thereto in accordance with the requirements of the Act or Your Bye Laws

I am told that no action will be permitted under the Letter of Attorney in question until I receive a reply to this Communication.

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Ordered — That the Clerk reply stating that the Town Commissioners have had no Connexion with the Bridge Commissioners, and that that body has ceased to exist many years back — after the old bridge had been Carried away and the present new one built.

The following letter refered from previous meeting was read.

Shallows Park, March 26th 1896

Dear Sir,

Will you Kindly direct the attention of the Chairman and the Board of Town Commissioners generally to the Wretched State of the footpaths of upper Mary Street from Church Lane to Houghton Hospital. So many boys are there that pedestrians generally select the main roadway as the better path. In Wet weather the north side footpath is in parts so slippery and greasy, the ascent becomes difficult and laborious, and the one on the South side is so rough and in quite so narrow it is a real torture to move over it, and few venture on it except to seek the friendly Shelter of the walls when a Southern Gale is on. What is urgently needed and What is hoped, the Commissioners will promply supply is a Continuation of the flagging similar to that recently laid on the footpaths of lower Mary Street first Widening the North footpath

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to Centre of Water table, the outer half of said Water table being ample enough to Carry off all Surface Water. The South path should be made a uniform Width Correspanding to that of the North path.

Unlike the footpaths on lower Main Street these will require new Curbs, and as Granite is rather expensive possibly it may be found more economical to substitute Ferro-crete tiles for both Curbs and flagging This material is so used with great satisfaction in Cork City and other Towns.

Well doubtless this is a large Order the Commissioners will say, and Where are the available funds for the execution of such works? My answer is the £800 annually levied on the Citizens as County Cess is enough and more than enough, and every Shilling of which less the County at large Charges should be available for such reforms, and would be so available if the Board of Town Commissioners insisted on their rights. As the Case now stands, some £200 of this Grand Jury Rate, instead of being so applied is annually handed over to by the Authorities as a sort of Rate-in-aid to distant parts of the Barony and

And while this misappropriation of funds Contributed by the inhabitants of these Rops is being perpetrated year after year, and Generation after Generation the representatives of the people stand idly by and without protest. This is not as it should be, and it is to be hoped that our City Fathers will at ~~least~~ last make up to a sense of their duty and insist that a due proportion of these funds shall henceforth be annually expended on such necessary and useful works as these now so urgently needed on upper Mary Street — Dear Sir

W. Lohan, Town Clerk. Truly Yours
I Cheevers

Ordered - That the Clerk employ Mr Thomas Byrne Charles Street to measure the footpaths at each side of Mary Street from the Corner of Church Lane to Bernicen Lane at north side and to the Corner of the Dispensary at the South side of the Street; and prepare Specifications, and Estimates of the Costs of flagging the footpaths as required by Mr Cheevers' letter, so that presentments Can be made at the next presentment Sessions in Clonroche for the work.

The Clerk reported that Col P. D. Vigors, Vice President of the "Royal Society of Antiquarians of Ireland" had in the morning, when the Society were leaving Rop. for Dembody
Abbey

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Abbey Rev asked him (the Clerk) to submit this (Col. Vigors') Verbal request before the Commissioners at their Meeting this evening as he (Col Vigors) had not time then to write — That the Commissioners would Kindly allow the Maces and Seals, owned by the Commissioners to be inspected at 9 o'clock P.M. by the Society at the Hotel.

Ordered — That the Clerk bring the two Maces and the two Seals before the Meeting of the Royal Society of Antiquaries of Ireland for inspection as requested by the Vice President of the Society, Col. Vigors, after the Meeting of the Commissioners is Concluded, and bring them safely back to the Town Commissioners Office, after examination by the Society.

The following was read

2 Quay Street New Ross April 8th "96

Dear Mr Tobin

I received your letter Containing a Resolution from the Town Commissioners. Allow me to thank them sincerely for Adjourning their meeting and also their kind words of sympathy and Condolence to me and Mrs Byrne on the deaths of Mrs

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Father-in-law, not forgetting yourself
yourself for your kindness

Gramaine boarder

Yours truly

Peter T Byrne

~~The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 8th April 1896~~

The following was read.

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Miscellaneous

Local Government Board
Dublin 2nd April 1896

Sir

I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to state that they have received a Copy of a Resolution of the House of Commons, dated 16th ultimo, requiring a Return showing, amongst other things, the Charge on Local Rates in Ireland during the financial year ended in 1893 for Elementary Education; and for the purpose of the Return I am to request that you will have the goodness to inform the Local Government Board, at your earliest convenience, whether any, and if so what portion of the amount of Rates shown in the Abstract of the Accounts of the Town Authority for their financial year ended 1893 was applied towards Elementary Education.

I am
Sir
Your obedient Servant
Thomas A Mooney
secretary

To the Town Clerk, NewRoss

Ordered — That the Local Government Board be informed that no amount of Rates has been expended for Elementary Education during the year 1893.

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1896 — April 15th — Wednesday 15th April — Adjourned meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day at 1/2 Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 Members present — Mesrs — David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Matthew Hutchinson.
Matthew I. Finn
James Dowling
Patrick Kennedy

Cheques were issued for the following amounts

Weekly Bill	£4.13.4
Patrick Leacey amount of a/c for Contract for repairs of the roof of the Tholsel	8.15.0
The Reps of the late Edward Walsh, Proprietor of the Wexford People and New Rep standard amt of a/c for advertising from 9th August 1892 to 12th November 1892 both dates included	19.5.5

The Chairman referred to the visit of the Royal Society of Antiquaries of Ireland to New Rep, and the remarks of the Society respecting the Condition of the remains of the Fair gate, and of the desirability of having the broken parts secured particularly the parts that appeared to be dangerous.

The Clerk reported — That on the night of the 8th Instant ~~to Mesrs~~ he produced the Maces and Seals of the Corporation before

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before the Meeting of the Royal Society of Antiquaries, at the Hotel, as directed by the meeting of the Commissioners held that evening. That Col. P. D. Vigors, Vice President of the Royal Society of Antiquaries requested him (Clerk), to Convey to the Town Commissioners, the very warm thanks of the Royal Society of Antiquaries for their Kindness in Sending the Maces and Seals to be inspected by the Society and for other aids and facilities rendered to the Society in Connection with their visit to New Ross.

That on the 9th inst. When the society were inspecting the Fair Gate, the Vice President requested him (Clerk) to Convey the desire of the Society to the Town Commissioners, that they would be so good as to get the broken parts of the remains of the Gate repaired, particularly the parts that appeared to be dangerous to the public; that it was a pity, that the remains of what was once a beautiful structure should be allowed to go into greater ruin than it was in at present

Ordered – That the Street Committee inspect Fair Gate and direct as to the steps to be taken to have the broken away parts repaired and restored as well as possible.

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The following was read.

New Rop Amateur Dramatic Club, 15th April 1896

Gentlemen.

I beg to apply on behalf of the above Club for the use of the Large Room, Tholsel on the usual Conditions, until about next March as we require it for practice. I am Gentlemen

Yours, obedient

M. Roche

Ordered — That the Large room be let to M. Roche for 1/6 per week and on same Conditions as given 29th August 1895 — That the Club use their own light in the room. That the "Boat Club" "Bicycle Club" Sports Committee" or any other body, permitted by the Commissioners, or in an exigency when allowed by the Chairman, to be ~~permitted~~ to hold their meetings in the Room. Also, That the Club ~~allow~~ give No other persons or Bodies permission to hold Meetings in the Room unless they are permitted to do so by the Town Commissioners or their Chairman.

Ordered — That the Clerk ask McAlpen to Complete the transfer of the premises Occupied by Mr Galavan in Irishtown, as soon as possible, to the Town

Comrs

Commissioners.

In reference to the late outrages committed at night in the Town by breaking large panes of Glas, it was agreed that the Chairman and Mr Hutchinson Wait on the District Inspector, Mr Davies to ascertain from him if the police patrol Could be extended to a later hour in the night without increasing the Taxation on the Town, and if that can be done to request him to extent the patrol to a later hour in the night.

Street Inspectors Report- John Keogh has done the required repairs on the watering Cart. I Got the watering Cart painted by Cuman last week.

I would recommend that a door be put in the Gateway leading to the quarry in High Hill to prevent nuisance that is done there and to prevent Children from going into the quarry.

The Meeting Was adjourned to Wednesday 22nd April 1896.

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1896 — April 22nd — Wednesday 22nd April — A Weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 12 Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Members present

David Murphy, Chairman, in the Chair
Peter J. Byrne
Michael Hickey
Matthew J. Finn
Patrick Hunt
Patrick Kennedy

Cheques were issued for the following amounts

Weekly Bill	£3.15.1
G. W. Carr Income Tax as per a/c rendered	5.18.2

The following was read.

The new Rop Town Commissioners

To P. J. Meehan Dr

2 Special visits to ascertain Miss Brennans Condition previous to giving a Medical Certificate ——— £1-0.0

Visit to Messrs — Calfer & Gethins Office, and giving them information on the Case ——— 1.0.0

Making an Affidavit by request of Messrs Calfer & Gethin ——— 1.1.0

£3.3.0

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The Consideration of the Bill was adjourned.

A Communication was read from Mr

Thomas Byrne, Charles St. dated 22nd April 1896 — saying — I enclose Estimate for flagging the footpaths in Mary Street as directed — The Applications should be sent to Wexford by Monday evenings Mail at the latest so as to appear in Wednesdays Papers.

The Estimate referred to was enclosed. It provided for flagging and Curbing North & South side of Upper Mary Street, with details Amount of Estimate £202.6.11

Mr Byrne was Called before the Meeting.

Ordered — That Messrs — P. Kennedy M.I. Finn and McHickey be appointed a Committee to Consider and decide on the steps to be taken to make applications for the flagging. The Committee to meet at 9 Oclock P.M. Thursday 23rd April 1896 — Mr Byrne to be present. The Clerk to try and get Application Forms.

Street Inspectors Report — Mr Edward Mitchell Called on me and told me that Mr Patrick Byrne of South Street told him that he sent over to England on the fifteenth of February last three four or five loads of old Metals that had been weighed on the Quayside here and he got a letter back to say it was one ton four hundred short of the weight. He told me it would be well to have it tested with Scale Hundreds.

Michael

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Michael Curran might be taken off matching the steamer as she is in at 6 o'clock in the evening and there is good daylight now.

Ordered — That Messrs — P. J Byrne M. Hutchinson and the Chairman be appointed a Committee to see the Weighbridge tested with weights and take steps to have it adjusted

Ordered — That the services of Michael Curran at matching Trucks on the Footpaths and his payment therefor of 2/- per week be discontinued

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 29th April 1896.

1896 — Thursday 23rd April — A meeting
April 23rd of the Committee appointed to Consider and decide respecting the applications to be made for flagging the footpaths in Upper Mary Street held this day at 4 o'clock P.M.

Present — Messrs —
Michael Hickey
Matthew J. Finn

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Patrick Kennedy
David Murphy, Chairman
Matthew Hutchinson

Mr J Byrne were present.

It was agreed that two applications be prepared for the flagging of both side of Upper Mary street — One for 255 feet of footpath and Curbing, average six feet wide — one from the Corner of Church lane to 35 feet above the big tree, at South side with Fermanite flags and Kerbing at £50.

Second — from the point of the last, to Corner of Burnicen Lane 215 feet to the Corner of Burnicen Lane, and sixty feet of footpath and Curbing four feet wide to Corner of Cockpit Lane .. at £50

The Applications to be signed by the Clerk and Street Inspector and sent off as soon as filled

It was agreed that Mr Byrne prepare Specifications for flagging the footpath at South side of Michael Street. The Applications to be sent off as soon as prepared Signed by the Clerk and Street Inspector.

The Meeting was adjourned.

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April. 29th

Wednesday 29th April — A Weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7 o'Clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854

Members present— Mssrs—

David Murphy, Chairman, in the Chair
Henry G. Hinsan
Matthew Hutchinson
Peter I. Byrne
Matthew J. Finn
Patrick Kennedy

The Weekly Bill amounted to — £4. 11. 0

A Communication was received from Moran Brothers North Street — Saying — We beg to draw attention to the Concrete Wall erected by your Board enclosing quarry in Maiden Lane, adjoining our Garden there, and wish to state that the wall erected has has given way & access and trespass to our garden by Youngsters Climbing thereon and getting acros Garden Wall. We would respectfully ask Your Board to have something done with the wall so as to prevent trespass and oblige

Ordered— That Six or eight feet of the top of the Concrete Wall adjoining Morans Garden wall be Capped with broken glass, set in Cement.

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A proposal was read from Thomas O'Neill, Ryleen offering to take two heaps of manure @ 22/6 per heap.

Ordered – That Thomas O'Neil, proposal for two heaps of manure @ 22/6 per heap be accepted.

The Clerk reported that Edward Miskella had ceased to be a Commissioner he not having attended a meeting of the Commissioners for Six months – since 15th October 1895.

Ordered – That the members be notified to attend a meeting of the Town Commissioners to be held on Wednesday 6th May 1896 to elect a Commissioner in place of Edward Miskella who has ceased to act.

The Clerk was directed to ascertain from Dr Meehan the dates on which he attended on Brennan's daughter to ascertain her state of Health for which he has Charged £1-1-0.

Street Inspectors Report – There are four heaps of manure in the Commissioners Yard ready for sale.

I got William Hartnett on this day (28th April) to examine and adjust the Weigh Bridge.

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The weighbridge has been well cleaned and oiled. All mud and dirt removed.

The stop Cock at lower end of Charles street got in a way that it could not be turned by John Walsh. I had to get William Hartick ~~to paint it~~ have it taken up, Cleaned and oiled on this day.

Mr Hutchinson handed in the report made after testing the Weigh-bridge with Messrs P. J. Byrne and D. Murphy (Chairman) with Weights as follows

Weights	Weigh Bridge
Cwt qrs lbs	Cwt qrs lbs
4 - 2 - 0	4 - 2 - 21
14 - 0 - 0	14 - 0 - 28
19 - 0 - 0	19 - 2 - 0
22 - 2 - 0	23 - 0 - 0
1 - 2 - 20	1 - 2 - 20
61 - 2 - 20	63 - 0 - 13

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The Committee directed that the Weighbridge be examined and Cleaned

The Clerk was directed to produce an Estimate of a Borough Rate at next Meeting

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 6th May 1896.

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1896 — Wednesday 6th May — Weekly
May 6th and adjourned Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and
~~Street~~ Committee held this day at
½ Oclock P.M. to transact business
pursuant to the Towns Improvement
(Ireland) Act 1854 — Also - To Elect
a Commissioner in place of Edward
McKella who has ceased to act. Also
to Consider a Rough Estimate of a
Borough Rate. Present — Messrs —

Henry G. Hinson moved to the Chair, and
subsequently —

David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
James Dowling
Matthew J Hutchinson
Peter Murphy
Patrick Kent
Patrick Kennedy
Michael Hickey

Cheques were issued for the following amounts
Weekly Bill —— £4. 8. 0
Cashiers, Bank of Ireland, to pay Board of
Public Works thirty first instalment of
Loan for building Labourers Dwellings
Principal £28-5-0, Interest to 30th April 1896 £28.12.10 and
Insurance for one year on houses £1. 13. 11 —— 58. 11. 9

Receivable Order. Office of Public Works, Dublin, 30th April 1896

Loans.— Labourers Dwellings.

Released & Receive from New Ros Town Commissioners
the Sum of £ 58-11-9 and place the same to the General
Cash Account of the Commissioners of Public Works.

Principal

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Principal £ 28-5-0
Interest to 30th Apr 1896 28-12-10
£ 56-17-10
Insurance 1-13-11 £ 58-11-9

To the Cashiers of the
Bank of Ireland.

C. H. Braddell
Accountant

The following was read

Royal Hotel (late Shanahan's) New Ross, May 6th 1896.

Chairman, Town Commissioners, New Ross.

Sir,

We shall feel obliged if you would allow us to take water from the Well on High Hill for sanitary use in Hotel. We shall pay any reasonable Charge and give up possession of it at any time with one days Notice.

Yours truly

M Kearn & Son

Ordered — That Messrs — Kearn and Son be allowed to have the use of the ~~water~~ High Hill Well at one penny per week they undertaking to do all the work required at the well, at their own expense, and give it up in a sound Condition When required to do so.

A Communication was read from Thomas Butler, Tenant in one of the Commissioners Tenants at Fair Gate — saying — the floor of My house, leading from the

front door is in a very bad State of Repair the rain Comes in at the door, which is very badly fitted to Keep it out. If You will Kindly Give me Some Cement, I will get the work of the floor done. I got the inner part of the house boarded at my own expense, where the floor had been very bad

Ordered That four Stone of Cement be given to Thomas Butler to aid in Making a floor in his house at Fair Gate.

A Proposal was read from Mrs M. A. Whitney Creacon for one heap of Manure at 22/6 per heap

Ordered - That Mrs Whitneys proposal for one heap of Manure @ 22/6 be accepted.

A Recommendation, Signed by Rev. M. Kavanagh P.P. V.D. NewRoss, Rev. F. Le Hunte, Rector St. Marys NewRoss and many respectable inhabitants of NewRoss in favour of Margaret Codd, Spinster a respectable poor Inhabitant of NewRoss, as a fit and proper person to be recommended by the Town Commissioners to the Governing body of Trinity Hospital, NewRoss to be nominated for admission to that institution - Was Submitted to the Meeting.

Ordered - That the recommendation in favour of Margaret Codd for admission to Trinity Hospital be Kept with the other

recommendations

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recommendations already received, and produced to a meeting of the Commissioners when a Notice of Nomination is received from the Governors of Trinity Hospital

After a Conversation on the Subject the Clerk was directed to submit the documentary evidence he has procured respecting the Commissioners Claim to the Site for building Cottages in Church Lane, to Messrs Calfee and Sethin for their Consideration and advice thereon as soon as possible

Proposed by Mr Hinson
Seconded by Mr Hutchinson

That Edward Miskella be elected a Commissioners in place of Edward Miskella, in place of Edward Miskella who has ceased to act, by non attendance.

Passed Unanimously

The Inspector was Called before the meeting and in Reply stated that the fixing of the broken glass in Cement in the Concrete Wall adjoining Morans Garden Walk at the quarry on High Hill had been Completed.

The

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the following was read.

County Surveyor's Office Wexford
May 5th 1896.

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of yours stating ~~that the~~ water pipe for ~~the~~ new Rop water supply has been broken in a couple of places Yes. I beg to remind you that your Commissioners had the road Contract up July last & that there has not been much time since that date to improve ~~the~~ thickness of the road Crust. Also according to your own statement the pipe was not laid at a sufficient ~~depth~~ below the road surface. Anything less than 18 inches in depth is Considered injudicious now-a-days.

I remain Yours truly
Henry Webster Co Surveyor.

Wm Sobin
Town Clerk New Ros.

No order made.

Ordered — That Patrick Leacey Carpenter be asked to send in against Next Meeting a Specification and Estimate for a Gate at the entrance to the quarry at High Hill.

Street Inspectors Report — It would be well that locks and Chains be put on the Neville street pump Cross Lane pump and the pump at Galavans in the Irishtown

to

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to prevent barrels of water being taken away from them.

I got Michael Cahill on this day to put Cement and broken battles on the Wall at the quarry on the High Hill near Moran's Gate to prevent the Children getting into the garden.

The Clerk submitted an Estimate of a Borough Rate for Twelve months from this date. The following is the Summary of the Estimate:—

Expenditure — Estimates for —

Town Commissioners — Prospective £472-9-9

" Retrospective Claims for payment 483-0-8 £955-10-5

Sanitary Authority — Prospective 123-16-0

" Claims for payment — Retrospective 37-17-8 161-12-8

Total Expenditure and Claims for payment — £1117-3-1

Assets—

Town Commissioners — £620-5-0

Sanitary Authority 17-12-6 £637-17-6

Balance for which Borough Rate will be required — £479-5-7

By the foregoing Statement, it appears that the Sum of £479-5-7 will be required to be supplied by a Borough Rate.

On the Net Assessable Valuation of the Borough — £7701 — a Rate of one Shilling in the Pound will produce £385-1-0 leaving a Balance of £94-4-7, unprovided for.

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Proposed by Mr Kennedy
Seconded by Mr Hutchinson,

~~now before us be adopted.~~
~~be adopted.~~ That the Estimate now before us be adopted. That public Notice be given, of our intention to proceed to make a Rate on Wednesday 13th May 1896, be given by placards posted within the Borough, and by the insertion of an Advertisement in the next issue of the Newtop Standard.

Passed Unanimously

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 13th May 1896.

1896 — Wednesday 13th May — A Weekly Meeting
May 13th of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee to be held this day after ½ 0'clock P.M. to transact busines pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854
Also — To Proceed to mak a Borough Rate. To direct respecting proposals for Contracts at Clanroche on Friday 15th Instant. Important.

Present —
Henry G. Hinson

A Quorum not having assembled the Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 20th May 1896.

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May 20th

Wednesday 20th May— A weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7 o'clock P.M. to transact business paramount to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854— Also— to make a Borough Rate.

Members present— Messrs—
David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Henry G. Hinson
Matthew Hutchinson
Peter J Byrne
Peter Murphy
Patrick Kennedy.

The weekly Bill amounted to £4. 9-0

Proposed by Mr Hinson
Seconded by Mr Byrne—

That the Clerk shall lay on the Table once in every Month, all orders, and works Ordered to be Carried out and made Which have not been done and Completed and that the Street Inspector shall report to the Commissioners at every Meeting the State of the Work Ordered to be done and the reasons why the work has not been done. Passed.

The Clerk reported that himself and the Street Inspector attended Clonroche Presenting Sessions on the 15th Instant to

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to sustain the two Applications for flagging the footpath at North side of upper Mary Street from Church Lane to the junction with Cockpit Lane

The two applications were thrown out on the allegation that there was a good gravelled foot path there at present and that it was an unimportant part of the Town.

Street Inspectors Report — William Hartrick, Marsh Lane, on this day (11th Inst.) had the Fire Engine out on the Quay and had it tested by throwing water a long distance on the Quay and over the large stone at the old Mannin yard on the Quay. W Hartrick told me that he would like to have all the old lumber taken out from the Engine Room before he would bring it back. A part of the shed in the old yard would do for all the lumber

I got locks and Chains put on the pumps in the Irishtown, Bullawn, Neville Street Michael Street and Cross Lane this week (12th May).

The gate at the Round in Chimney Lane — the lock has been broken taken away and the gate will want to be locked. The walls have been broken down

I got Myles Pond and the Channel Cleaned up this day. The Channel and pond is after getting low by being Cleaned up

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so often, and the water is standing back and not going away. I would recommend to have flags put down in the Channel to give a fall to the water down to the grate to have it to pass down of the bowling green

The door frame of the house occupied by Thomas ~~Fitzgerald~~ Fitzgerald at the Fair Gate are giving way from the Walls and also the window frame and the timber Casing on the front of the house are giving away and will fall out if not repaired very soon. It is gone out from the wall four or five inches at present.

There are five heaps of Manure finished in the Yard for sale.

Ordered — That Messrs — H. G. Henson — H. Hutchinson and the Chairman be appointed a Committee Fire Engine to see as to the best means of having the Fire Engine Kept in efficient Condition. That the Committee see as to the best means of supplying a small tank or other suitable vessel for holding water when the Fire Engine is in use

Ordered — That the Walls of the pound be repaired, and that a good lock be

Got

Sob for the gate

Ordered — That the front of J Fitzhamis house at Fair Gate be secured.

The Clerk reported — That Edward Walsh had ceased to be a Commissioner on the 9th Inst. not having attended a meeting for the period of six months.

Ordered - That the members be notified to attend next meeting to elect a Commissioner in place of E. Walsh who has ceased to act.

Gate a High Hill P Lacey Called and States wall required to be altered.

The Clerk stated that P. Lacey Called and stated that the wall at High Hill would be required to be altered so that the Gate Could hang plumb

P Lacey to put in specification of the work to be done

It was directed that P Lacey be asked to put in a specification Containing any Changes that might be required in the Wall When putting in one for the gate.

Proposed by Mr Hutchinson
Seconded by Mr Kennedy

That We agree to make a Borough Rate of Twelve Pence in the pound on the net assessable Valuation of the Borough in accordance with the 17th

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17th & 18th Vic Cap 103 Sec 60 and that said Rate be payable on the 21st June 1896.

Rates unanimously

Ordered — That our having made a Rate of One Shilling in the Pound be advertised in the usual manner by placards posted in Town and by advertisement in the New Ross Standard

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 27th May 1896.

1896 —
May 27

Wednesday 27th May. A weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee to be held this evening at ½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 — Also — To elect a Commissioner in place of E. Walsh disqualified by non-attendance. Members present — Messrs —

Matthew Hutchinson
David Murphy, Chairman
Henry G. Hinton

It being near 9 Oclock and a Quorum not having attended the Meeting was adjourned to Thursday 28th May 1896

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May 28th

— Thursday 28th May — An Adjourned Weekly meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after ½ oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Also — "To elect a Commissioner in place of Edward Walsh disqualified by non-attendance."

Members present — Mess^rs —

David Murphy, Chairman, in the Chair.
Henry G. Hinson
Peter J. Byrne
Patrick Kennedy
James Dowling

The Weekly Bill amounted to — £4.9.0

Mr Kennedy stated that he had been informed that the Commissioners men had thrown some rubbish &c into the river near the steamers stage on Friday last.

The Inspector was Called before the Meeting and in reply, said there was some matter that according to directions as to Matters not to be brought into the Manure Yard, he got it thrown over the quay. The men engaged at the work were Cahill, and Flynn, the man who follows the horse.

The Clerk was directed to notice Cahill and Flynn, to attend next Meeting of the Commissioners, Whereat the Matter would be fully inquired into.

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Proposed by W Hinson
Seconded by W Kennedy

That Bryan Hennessy be elected a Commissioner in place of Edward Walsh, disqualified by non-attendance. Passed unanimously

Ordered — That the Fire Engine Committee meet on tomorrow at 11 Oclock A.M. to inspect the Shed in the Manure Yard in Marsh Lane with the View of having a part of it prepared for Keeping the Fire Engine.

Ordered — That advertisements be issued inviting proposals for five heaps of manure which are ready for sale in in the Manure Yard the proposals to be Considered at next meeting

The Clerk submitted Franchise Forms which he had received from the Clerk of the New Ross Union for the insertion of the names of the Names of the Tenants holding under the Town Commissioners
Ordered — That the Clerk fill the Forms on behalf of the Town Commissioners, and transmit them to the Clerk of the Union.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 1st May 1896.

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May 29th

1896 — Friday 29th May — A meeting of the Fire Engine Committee held this day at 11 Oclock A.M. To inspect the Shed in the Manure Yard, with the view of having a part of it prepared for Keeping the Fire Engine

Members present — Messrs —

Matthew Hutchinson

David Murphy

Henry G. Hinson

Patrick Kennedy

The Committee inspected the Shed in the Manure Yard. The Committee appeared in favour of having a part of the Shed in the Middle of the Shed appropriated and fixed for holding the Fire Engine.

Mr Hinson said he would allow the Water in the Bewery Yard pool to be used in the Watering Cart for watering the Streets when it could not be got in the river if the Corrs men Cleaned out the pool.

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1896
June 1st

Monday

— ~~Wednesday~~ 1st June — Monthly Meeting day. No attendence of Members.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 3rd June 1896.

1896
June 3rd

— Wednesday 3rd June — A Weekly, and an adjourned Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners — Also of the Street Committee to be held this day at 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854

No attendance of Members.

After 9 Oclock the meeting was adjourned to Friday 5th June 1896.

1896
June 5th

— Friday 5th June — An Adjourned Weekly, and Adjourned Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners, and of the Street Committee held this day after 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) 1854.

Members present — Messrs —

David Murphy, Chairman, in the Chair
Henry G. Kinsom
Peter J. Byrne
Peter Murphy
James Dowling

Cheques were issued for the following amounts

Weekly Bill 3rd Instant	£4. 17. 0
W. Hartrick Three years Contract attending Fire Engine to March 1896.	15. 0. 0

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Street Inspectors Report — John Walsh the man that has the Marsh at the pump in Rosheroon is Complaining that the fence was made low at the time we filled around the pump with the Concrete floor, and that Cattle are going in on his land. He wants the Commissioners to put a few loads of Stones to make the fence higher to prevent Trespass on his land.

I have Cahill repairing the wall at the Round. I got the gate taken down to John Keogh to get it Repaired with bars.

William Scanlan told me that when he went on Monday morning to take the Lock and Chain from the Pump at Trinity Hospital he found the lock broken and the Chain on the ground

The Street Inspector was Called before the meeting and in reply stated that Walsh Complained that the Fence to his field was insufficient to Keep Cattle out of the Marsh at pump in Rosheroon until the Commissioners raised the ground outside a depth of two feet or more, and since then animals Can go over the fence from the place to his Marsh.

No Order made to Comply with J. Walshi request.

A proposal was read from Miss M. A. Whitney

Answer Miss Whitney

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Whitney for two heaps of manure at 22/6 per heap

Manure
Miss Whitney

Ordered — That Cllr M A Whitneys proposal for two heaps of manure be accepted at 22/6 per heap.

A statement was made at the meeting that Complaints had been made that the Fishhouse was not opened early enough to allow persons to transact business when the tides happened to be early in the morning.

The Clerk was directed to submit a statement of the different Tenancies or terms under which Miss Maher had been tenant for the Fishhouse and the different Changes in the rent of same to the present time.

Mr Hinson suggested that the Committee inspect the Shed in the Manure Yard with J. Lacey to fix on a plan for Keeping the Fire Engine there

Agreed to.

The following was read

Offices Lwk Rd 3rd June 1896

Wm Kworth & others to Town Comrs

Dear Sir

We enclose the draft of the Assignment

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Assignment of the Lease of the Drishtown premises for the approval of the Commissioners.

Yours Faithfully
Colfer & Gethin

John Godkin
Town Clerk New Ross

Mr Hinson read the Deed of Assignment and said it might be marked approved.

Agreed to be approved, and completed in a week.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 10th June 1896.

1896 — June 10th — Wednesday 10th June — A weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after ½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Members present — Mayor — David Murphy Chairman in the Chair.
Matthew J. Flinn
Matthew Hutchinson
Patrick Hunt
Peter J Byrne

The Weekly Bill amounted to £4. 9. 0.

Street Inspectors Report — I brought the Beam Scales and weights used on the potato

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Potato Market brought to Sergeant Rourke & have them registered this week.

In South Street where the water pipes have been taken up the road way is gone down very much and dangerous to the water pipes. They might be broken by Leaceys steam Engine at any time. A few loads of stones spread over the place would make it all right.

It was agreed that the amount of broken stones required be spread on the place where the ground is hollowed where the new water pipes were laid

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 17th June 1896.

1896 June 17th — Wednesday 17th June — Annual Meeting day. The Annual Meeting of the Town Commissioners held this day at 12 Oclock Noon — To elect a Chairman for the ensuing year.

Present — Messrs —

~~Members Present~~

Patrick Kennedy
Patrick Hunt
Henry G. Hinson
Matthew Hutchinson
Peter Murphy.

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As the Outgoing Chairman was not present Mr Hutchinson was duly proposed and seconded the Chairman for the meeting, and he presided.

Mr Hinson in very laudatory terms proposed that the Outgoing Chairman, Mr Murphy, be elected Chairman for the ensuing year. Mr Murphy. he said, had experience, General intelligence and judgment as to the duties of the position. He was a very efficient member of the Harbour Board — being the Chairman of the Town Commissioners he was an Ex officio member of the Harbour Board — and if he did not Continue Chairman of the Town Commissioners, the Harbour Board would loose the services of one of its best members.

Mr Kennedy in seconding Mr Hinsons proposition expressed Coincidence in every way with the opinions just expressed as to Mr Murphys suitability, and also the advantageousness of having him as Chairman, and to the Harbour Commissioners body in having him Continued as One of its Members.

Mr Hunt expressed briefly his warm approbation

Mr Hinsons Proposition was warmly adopted.

The Meeting was adjourned.

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1896—
June 17th

Wednesday 17th June — A meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Members present — Messrs —

David Murphy Chairman, in the Chair
Patrick Kennedy
Peter J. Byrne
Matthew Hutchinson
Matthew J. Flinn

The Weekly Bill amounting to £4.9.0

The following was read.

Offices New Ross, 17th June 1896

Dear Sir,

I am about applying for to the Lord Chancellor to be appointed a Notary Public for this Town and will feel obliged if you will ask the Town Commissioners for an expression of suitability for the appointment on my behalf.

Yours faithfully
H. G. Kinsella

David Murphy
Chairman Town Comrs
New Ross.

Proposed by Mr Kennedy
Seconded by Mr Byrne —

That the Town Commissioners of New Ross have been for years acquainted with Mr H. G. Kinsella, Solicitor of this Town and have

have great pleasure in testifying as to his business Capacity as a Solicitor and Strict regard for rectitude in all matters, and we strongly recommend him to the Lord Chancellor of Ireland as a fit person to be appointed a Notary Public for New Ross and that such an appointment is now necessary and we direct our Chairman to do Certify on our behalf and to attach the Corporate Seal of this body thereto. Passed unanimously

Ordered — That the Clerk Copy the Resolution, with the necessary heading and that the Corporate Seal be attached at foot, Signed by the Chairman and Countersigned by the Clerk and handed to Mr Hinson to be used by him as he may deem desirable.

A Communication was read from S. D Wilson to P Hartley — asking if he could get the use of the Large Room in the Tholsel on the 7th July to Sell Some House property.

Ordered — That the Clerk inform Mr Wilson that he Can the use of the Large Room in the Tholsel on the 7th July next on the usual terms — 10/- for the use of the Room for the day.

~~The Asst~~ Street Inspectors Report — I got the walls of the Round in Spinnery Lane

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repaired, - and also the gate repaired, and put up again. by Michael Cahill this week.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 24th June 1896.

1896 — Wednesday 24th June — A weekly
June 24th Meeting of the Town Commissioners ~~and Street Committee~~ to be held this day after 7½ oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854

Mr M Finn was the only member in attendance.

~~A~~ Quorum not having assembled the meeting was adjourned to Thursday 25th June 1896.

1896 — Thursday 25th June — A meeting of the
June 25th. Town Commissioners and Street Committee to be held this day at ½ oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854

No attendance of Members.

The Meeting was adjourned to Friday 26th June 1896.

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1896—
June 26th

Friday 26th June — An Adjourned Weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee to be held this day at 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Mr Murphy Chairman

was the only Member in attendance A Quorum not having attended the meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 1st July 1896.

1896—
July 1st

Wednesday 1st July — A Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committe held this day after 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business. pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Members present — Messrs

David Murphy Chairman, in the Chair and at early Meeting

Henry G. Kinsom in the Chair

Matthew Hutchinson

Peter Murphy

Patrick Kent

Matthew J. Finn

Cheques were issued for the following amounts

Weekly Bill ———— £4. 9. 0

Patrick Lacey amt of a/c for work done in alterations in the Tholsel 12. 18. 6.

A Communication was read from H. Caddell Registrar of Petty Sessions Clerks

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Clerks, Dublin Castle stating that ~~that the~~ proportion of Surpluss Moneys arising from the sale of Licences under the "Dogs Regulation (Ireland) Act 1865 amounts to £14.14.10 for the Town of New Ross for the year 1895, and to state that the Lord Lieutenant has directed that this sum should be paid over to the Treasurer to the Commissioners, pursuant to the "Dogs Regulation (Ireland) Act (1865) & be applied by him in aid of the Town Rates in such manner as the Commissioners shall direct

A Communication was read from the Local Government Board No 63 - M/96 - Miscellaneous - dated 24th June 1896 — saying — the Returns of Local Taxation in Ireland during the 1895 are now in preparation for presentation to Parliament and with a view to their Completion the Local Government Board for Ireland request that Jow will be so good as to prepare and forward to this Office, as was done last Year A Statement of the General particulars indicated in Tables I. II. and III of the enclosed form. The Board will feel obliged

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by your furnishing them with the required return at the earliest practicable period.

Ordered — That the Tenancy of the Pound be advertised on the usual terms.

A Communication was read from Messrs — Colfer & Gethin requesting a loan of the Lease of Michael Keefes House on the Quay, under which Messrs Cherry Brothers hold the premises from the Commissioners. It shall be returned safely in a few days.

The Clerk stated that the Communication was received on the 24th ultimo and as there was no meeting on that date nor on the 25 or 26th he asked the Chairman if he could lend the Lease for the purpose required for a few days and he Consented on the Condition that the matter be reported at the next Meeting.

Approved.

The Clerk was directed to report at next meeting whether the lease be then returned or not

A Document signed by the Clergy and several respectable inhabitants of the Town in

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in favour of having Julia Burns Widow recommended by the Town Commissioners to the Governors of Trinity Hospital for admission to that Institution

Ordered — That the application be placed amongst the other similar applications already received and with them submitted to a meeting of the Commissioners when they receive notice from the Governors of Trinity Hospital that they are about to make appointments

Trinity Hospital

Col Tottenham asked to fill some vacant places

Ordered — That the Clerk write to Col Tottenham stating that there are several applications by very deserving poor women who are seeking residence in Trinity Hospital, before the Town Commissioners, and as there are six rooms at present vacant, they will feel obliged, if at his Convenience, he will kindly apprise them of his intention of filling some vacancies and that they will assist by submitting to him the names of the persons who, they think most deserving. That by giving this attention, as soon as Convenient the the Commissioners will feel greatly obliged, as it will relieve them frequently dealing with applications of persons who are applying

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A Communication was read from Land D. ~~Robbins~~ Wilson Auctioneer Kilkenny saying he would require the use of the Room in the Tholsel on the ~~9th~~ July and would pay the Charge 10/-

The following was read

New Ross union 27th June 1896

To John Lobin

Clerk to the Town Commissioners

Dear Sir,

The following is a Copy of a Resolution which was adopted unanimously by the Board of Guardians at their meeting held this day. - Viz

Resolved That we earnestly request the New Ross Town Commissioners to use their best influence to obtain a Change of the present days for holding the New Ross Fairs, as we find them so frequently disadvantageous to the general public, and substitute some more suitable day in each month of the year in place of them and to annul all the other Fairs usually held in New Ross.

The Guardians have named a Committee of their body who will be happy to Confer with the Town Commissioners or a Committee on the Subject at the earliest Convenient date, if your Board are willing to take it into Consideration

I am to request you to be so good as

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as & submit the the above Resolutions to the Town Commissioners at their next meeting.

I am Dear Sir
Yours faithfully
R. A. Pope
Clerk of the Union

Ordered — That the Consideration of the Communication be Referred to an Adjourned Meeting to be held on Friday next — the Members to be Noticed to attend to Consider the Subject.

The Meeting was adjourned to Friday 3rd July 1896.

1896 — July 3rd

Friday

3rd July — An Adjourned Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee to be held this day to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act — 1854 — also To Consider a Resolution passed by the New Ross Board of Guardians respecting a Change in the days for holding the Fairs in New Ross Members present — Mess^rs David Murphy Chairman
Henry G. Hinson

A Quorum not having assembled the meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 8th July 1896.

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1896 — Wednesday 8th July — A weekly meeting
July 8th of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7 o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 —

Also — To Consider a Resolution passed by the New Ross Board of Guardians respecting a change in the days for holding the Fairs in New Ross

Members present — Mayor —

David Murphy, Chairman in the Chair
Patrick Kennedy
William Murphy
John Meehan
Matthew Hutchinson
Henry G. Hinson
Patrick Hunt
James Dowling

Cheques were issued for the following amounts —

Weekly Bill — —	£4. 9. 0
John Gobin Clerk & Salary due 7th July 1896.	18. 15. 0

In reference to the Minutes of previous meeting respecting the Communication to be sent to Col. Tottenham, The Scheme for the management of Trinity Hospital was read, particularly the paragraphs referring to the appointment of a Master for that Institution.

The letter from the Board of Guardians received at previous meeting was read.

Mr Hinson Submitted the following to the

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~~the~~ Meeting—

A letter from the Clerk of the New Rop Union dated 27th June 1896 enclosing a Copy Resolution of the Board of Guardians of that date requesting the Commissioners to use their influence to obtain a Change in the days for holding New Rop Fairs and to state that the Guardians have named a Committee to Confer with the Commissioners on the matter having been read it was

Proposed by Mr Quinlan
Seconded by Mr Kennedy—

Althought the Commissioners are at all times anxious to assist in promoting what would be for the Convenience of the Public, and to assist the Board of Guardians to Carry out the suggestions in their Resolution they hesitate in doing so until the Commissioners have been satisfied by a request in writing from all parties, farmers, dealers, and the trade Generally who are interested in such a Change and a statement of the day of the months which would be Considered desirable for such purpose, being laid before them by the parties promoting the Change in the fairs. They regret being obliged to Come to this Conclusion Having regard to the Trouble

trouble danger and great expense which the Commissioners incurred in 1873, when a Change in the Fairs was promoted by them and an which occasion, though successful in effecting that object. In Consequence of threats used and the excitement Caused on that occasion the Commissioners had to abandon their object and had to return to the old System which are the fair days at present being held, should the Board of Guardians procure the Consent above referred to and Satisfy the Commissioners that there will be no material opposition to the Change suggested, they will, with pleasure assist the Board of Guardians in promoting the object in View.

Passed Unanimously, Mr Meehan dissenting.

Ordered – That a Copy of the Resolution be transmitted to the Board of Guardians.

A Circular was read from F. P. O. Platte, Skibbereen 4th July 1896 – Saying My proposal to urge Mr Balfour the advisability in fact Common justice to the Artizans and Lavour people – of inserting a a Clause in the Land Bill, has met with such universal approval that I am induced to ask your Corporate Body, through you to pass the accompanying Resolution at their next Meeting, and forward same with

as

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as little delay as possible to the Chief Secretary. It was unanimously passed at a Meeting of the Cork Corporation Yesterday, and it has met with warm support of the Irish and English Press, and some of our leading Members of Parliament. Should your Body be disposed to help the project by Complying with this request it would be necessary to do so at once, as the Bill will ~~be necessary~~ again be on for discussion early next week. As the subject is a non Contentious one I Sincerely Hope you will be able to render assistance in the way suggested. Thanking you in anticipation.

I am
yours faithfully
T. P. & Potter.

Resolution

That we the Town Commissioners of New Ross, respectfully but earnestly ask. W. Balfour to introduce into his Land Bill a Clause empowering Corporations in Ireland to procure Parks or recreation grounds, so essential for the health of the people and the general advancement of Towns and Cities

We believe this desirable end Can be easily accomplished by the introduction of a Compulsory Clause in the Bill, enabling Corporations to Compel Landlords to

sell

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Such suitable sites for the purpose,
such sites to vary in size from fifty
to three hundred Acres, according to the
population of the Town or City seeking
the accommodation.

The purchase, We Consider, should
be effected on the same terms and on
the same principal as farmers procure
loans for the purchase of their holdings.
Such a Clause in the Land Bill, the Commissioners believe, would confer great
advantages on Irish Towns, and be accepted
with gratitude by the working Classes
and the town population, generally.

That We also request our County
Members and the Irish Members generally,
to give this suggestion their earnest Consideration.

That our Clerk be requested to forward
a Copy of this Resolution to Mr G. Balfour
and the leading Irish Members.

Proposed by Mr Kennedy
seconded by Mr Hinson —

That the foregoing
Resolution be adopted and a Copy
sent to Mr G. Balfour M.P. Chief Secretary
for Ireland Passed unanimously

A Communication was received from
D. Hunt Secretary New Ross Gas Company
— Saying Council had objection for Cheque
for

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for amount of account £148.4.9
as the yearly Contract will soon
expire

The Consideration of the matter was
deferred.

The Borough Rate Book and Collectors Copy were signed.

The Meeting was adjourned to
Wednesday 15th July 1896.

Mr Brittain received the Grant for January

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~~Wednesday~~ Thursday 9th July after
four o'clock this evening Messrs — D.
Murphy and H. G. Hinson Called on Mr
J. J. E. Boyd respecting the permission
to allow Water to be taken from
the well in the manure Yard in Marsh
Lane by a pipe to a Pump to be
fixed in the Lane. After Conversing
on the subject with Mr Boyd the Gentlemen
proceeded to inspect the premises.

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July 15th Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7 o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Members present — Messrs —
Henry G. Hinson in the Chair
Peter J. Byrne
Matthew J. Finn
Peter Murphy
James Dowling

The Monthly Bill amounts to — £4. 4. 6

Street Inspectors Report — There are Eight Heaps of manure for sale in the Town Commissioners Yard.

Ordered — That advertisements be issued inviting proposals for the Eight heaps of Manure. The proposals to be Considered at next Meeting.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 22nd July 1896.

Is Proposals received for Tenancy of the Byre

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1896 — July 22nd — Wednesday 22nd July — A weekly meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street ~~Commissioners and~~ Committee held this day after 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 — Resolved To Consider Steps to be taken respecting the Fire Engine &c &c — letter from the Board of Guardians respecting the Fairs — Examination Abstracts of Borough Rate and Pipe Water Rent.

Members present — viz —

David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Henry G. Kinsan
Matthew Hutchinson
Edward Miskella (took the Com^rs Declaration)
James Dowling
Peter L Byrne
Patrick Hunt
Matthew J. Finn

The weekly Bill amounted to — £4.9.6

~~Street~~ Inspectors Report — On the night ~~of~~ the fire broke out at Hartleys on the Quay We gave Fred Kartrick ten buckets and after the fire had been put out and the Fire Engine brought off to the Yard I went to search for the Water buckets and all I was able to find was nine buckets and I had them taken up from Hartleys on the next day to the Shed

I got Meylers pond (at Fair Gate) Cleaned up on this week. This is the second time it was Cleaned up and not sold. There is one half of it gravel and sand, and the other

half is good. I would recommend to have the manure sold or taken down to the yard in Marsh Lane I got the drain inside the wall in the quarry at High Hill Cleaned up.

Scanlan told me he got the lock on the Chain on the pump in Irishtown at Galavans is broken on this morning when he went to take it off at seven oclock.

Ordered - That the manure raised from the drain at Fair Gate be advertised for Sale.

The following proposals for manure were received -

From Edward Browne, Annestown - for five heaps at 22/6.

From Miss Mary Anne Whitney, Creacon for two heaps of manure at 22/6.

Ordered - That Mr Brownes proposal for five heaps of manure at 22/6 be accepted

Ordered - That Miss Whitneys proposal for two heaps of manure at 22/6 be accepted.

Ordered - That the Contractors be requested to remove the manure from the yard without avoidable delay.

The following was read

Offices, New Ross 22nd July 1896

Dear Sir, In reply to your letter of the 16th inst.

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inst. requiring to know why the deed from the representatives of Banks to the Commissioners has not been executed, we have to say that shortly after the Draft was approved of by your body, Mr Edward Sewill called here and informed us that Mr E. N. Banks, one of the owners, had died in mean time, and also that when originally instructing us he had omitted to give us the names of two persons who he believed had an had an interest in the premises. Mr Sewill referred us to Mr Longrish Banks Royal Hospital Dublin for precise information on the subject. We accordingly wrote Mr Banks but only heard from him very recently, and at once engrossed the Deed and forwarded it to him for execution. We hope that it will be Completed within the next week, but as there are five owners residing in different places, all of whom require to sign the deed. A little ~~more~~ further delay may take place.

Commissioners V. Deane.

We had a Summons prepared in this case but delayed issuing it, as we understand Your Chairman will bring the Matter before the Board at next meeting.

Yours very truly

Calfer & Gethin

J. Tobin
Town Clerk, New Ross.

Ordered — That the transfer of the property in Irishtown be Completed without avoidable delay.

The following was read.

New Rop Union, New Rop, 16th July 1896

Dear Sir,

Your letter of the 9th instant Conveying the Town Commissioners' Resolution with reference to the Suggestion made by the Board of Guardians was under the Guardians' Consideration on Yesterday.

I am to request you to be so good as to place the following resolution before the Town Commissioners at their next meeting. It was adopted unanimously by the Board of Guardians on Yesterday — "Resolved: That We, as Guardians "of the New Rop Union, elected by the General "public and Ratepayers of the Union as their "representatives, do hereby respectfully urge "the Town Commissioners of New Rop to use their influence promptly as the time is short to obtain a Change in the days for holding the New Rop Fairs to the second Tuesday of each Month in the year; and to annul all other Fairs usually held in New Rop. The second Tuesday of each Month does not Clash with any Local Fair or any Holiday, either Religious or public.

I am
Dear Sir
Your obedient Servant
R. J. Pope
Clerk of the Union.

John Tobin
Town Clerk
New Rop.

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Proposed by Mr Hinson
seconded by Mr Dowling —

"In reply to the letter of the 16th ultimo received from the Board of Guardians in relation to the Change of fairs to the 2nd Tuesday in each month — That inasmuch as the Guardians are the representatives of the farmers and those interested in the Change, it would be inexpedient for the Town Commissioners to take first action in the matter, but when the Commissioners receive a written requisition fairly numerously signed by those persons desiring the Change, the Commissioners will be happy to assist the Guardians in carrying out their object."

Passed unanimously.

Ordered — That a Copy of the Resolution be transmitted to the Clerk of the New Ross Union.

Ordered — That the Members be noticed to attend next meeting to Consider the best ~~means~~ may to render the use of the Fire Engine effective in extinguishing fires.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 29th July 1896.

Fire Pipe water Rent Book for year ending 31st July 1896 and the Collectors Copy were signed.

Present — Alfred — E. Murphy
E. Murphy, to Chairman
Finance Committee &
examine the Fire Engine
Borough Rate and
Consider the Arrears.

Adjourned — Ordered — That E. Murphy, Hutchinson & Dowling be appointed a Committee to examine the Fire Engine Borough Rate and Consider the Arrears.

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1896 — July 23rd — Thursday 23rd July — A meeting of the Committee appointed to examine the Abstract of Uncollected Borough Rate, and Pipe Water Rent, and to Cancel uncollectable and unavailable amounts; held this day at 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business.

Present — Mess^rs —

David Murphy — Also present — M. McGrath Collector

Edward McKella

Matthew Hutchinson

After the Examination of the Abstract of Uncollected Borough Rate made 1st May 1895 — The Committee made rulings as to the following amounts — Which were Cancelled —

Unavailable		£ 3. 7. 4
Vacant Houses		12. 5. 1¼
Exemptions		4. 9. 3
Allowance for time, unoccupied		1. 7. 10
Half Annual Rents		2. 0. 0
	Total amts Cancelled	23. 10. 4¼
~~Rate As~~ Nate available		2. 6. 6¾
		£ 25. 16. 11

Pipe Water Rent — Amounts Cancelled

No 32	Mrs	Robert White	3. 9
" 40		Capt. French	7. 6
" 42		Matthew Bryan	7. 6
" 78		Mrs Armstrong	4. 4½
			£ 1. 3. 1½

For Pipe Water Rent List for Year ended 31st July 1896.

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Wednesday 29th July — Weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7½ Oclock P. M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 — Also — To Consider the best means of rendering the Fire Engine efficient in the Case of Fire in the Town. Present — Messrs — David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Matthew Hutchinson
Edward Mirkella
Matthd. Finn
Patrick Hunt
Peter J. Byrne
John Butler
John Meehan

Cheques were issued for following amounts
Weekly Bill £4.10.9
G. W. Car Collector, County Cess as per a/c rendered 5. 3. 3
Maurice Mc Grath, Collector, amount of
a/c for Commission on Collections 10. 5. 4

A Communication was received from Thompson Brothers, Engineers and Contractors, Wexford — saying We see by the Newspapers that you have had some trouble with your Fire Engine. We shall be glad to have your instructions to examine and overhaul, if necessary, repair it, supply such hose and fittings as may be required to render your apparatus efficient

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efficient, and give instructions in the use of them

Ordered - That Messrs Thompson be informed that the Commissioners will when they are making arangements about the efficient use of the Fire Engine take their Communication into Consideration

It was agreed to again adjourn the Consideration of the Fire Engine question to next meeting, the Clerk to procure and produce Catalogues of Fire Engine appliances.

Ordered — That — Messrs — E. Miskella H. G. Hinson and the Chairman be appointed a Committee to ascertain the additional requirements necessary to render the Fire Engine more effective.

A Communication was read from Thomas Mc Carthy Town Clerk Dungarvan saying — I am directed by the Dungarvan Town Commissioners to ask you to kindly have one replies to the annexed few queries - re - Cost of Gas and lighting public Lamps in your Town. —

What is the Cost of Gas per 1000 feet?

What is the Cost per lamp Annually of Public Lamps

How many hours lighting?

How many public Lamps?

Are there any Lights off?

What

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What is the standard of Illuminating Power
Is it 3½, 4, or 4½ feet of gas per hour per lamp
or a Candle power test?

Ordered — That the Clerk send the
Replies as required to the Town Clerk of
Dungarvan.

The following was read
Bally Cuny July 16th 1896.

Dear Sir.

On my return to Ireland
after a few weeks absence, I find
your letter of the 2nd Instant, asking
that on behalf of the Town Commissioners
that the vacant rooms in Trinity Hospital
should be filled. I am afraid however
that it is impossible to take that Course
until the Governing Body is Completed,
and I have not yet received any intimation
from the Court of Chancery that an Heir
of Gregory has been appointed. It is
very unfortunate that there should be
so much delay.

Yours Faithfully
Charles G. Tottenham

The Consideration of the present state
of the Trinity Hospital institution was
adjourned to next Meeting — The members
to be noticed to attend — The Clerk to produce
the Resolutions re passed respecting that

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institution respecting the appointment of Col. Tottenham as Heir to Gregory and the, and the recommendation of an inmate of the Institution

The following was read.

Irish Office Old Queen Street London
25th July 1896

Sir,

The Chief Secretary desires me to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 16th instant with its subjoined resolution in favour of the acquisition of parks or recreation grounds in connection with Towns and Cities in Ireland.

I am
Your obedient Servant
A. A. Grant

The Town Clerk
New Ross.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 5th August 1896

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Monday 3rd August — Monthly Meeting day. No attendance of Members.
The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 5th August 1896.

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1896 — Wednesday 5th August — A weekly,
August 5th and an Adjourned Monthly Meeting, of the Town
Commissioners Commissioners to be held this
day after 7 o clock P.M. to transact business
pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland)
Act 1854 — Also — To Consider steps
to be taken respecting the Fire Engine
— Also — Also — Matters Connected
with Trinity Hospital.

Members in attendance Mesrs —
Matthew Hutchinson
Edward Miskella

A Quorum not having assembled
the Meeting was adjourned to Thursday
6th August 1896.

1896 Thursday 6th August — An Adjourned
August 6th Weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners
and Street Committee held this day
after 7 o clock P.M. to transact business
pursuant to the Towns Improvement
(Ireland) Act 1854. Also — To Consider
steps to be taken respecting the Fire Engine
— Also — Matters Connected with Trinity Hospital
Members present — Mesrs —
David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Peter J. Byrne
Edward Miskella
Peter Murphy
Henry G. Hinson

The Weekly Bill amounted to — £4.0.9

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Street Inspectors Report — Twenty five yards of a drain leading from Meylers pond down down by the Bowling Green have been opened and side walls built and Covering flags put on to prevent the water from being stopped when Coming down from Meylers pond

Patrick Leacey did not get the door put up at the quarry on the High Hill to prevent the Children from throwing stones and old Cans over the Wall and also a lot of Harm and Nuisance in the quarry

Proposals for the manure taken from the drain at rere of houses leading to Bowling Green were received from

E Leehan Irishtown — Offering Six Shillings for the manure.

From John Cheevers Shallows park. Offering to remove the manure and Gravel if the Commissioners would give it free of Charge

Ordered — That E Leehans proposal for the manure be accepted at 6/— for the lot.

The following was read.

The Rower, Enniscorthy. 3rd August 1896

Sir

At a duly Convened and representative meeting held here Yesterday and Composed of farmers

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farmers from the Rower and Clonamery the appended resolutions were passed unanimously, and I was directed to forward Copies to you and to ask you to be so good as to lay them before the Town Commissioners at their next meeting.

I am, Sir,

Yours very truly

Charles Lynch Hon. Sec.

To John Tobin
Clerk
Town Commissioners Office
New Ross.

Resolutions.

New Ross Fairs.

1. That the farmers who attend the New Ross fairs have suffered pecuniarly by the clashing of some of those fairs with the neighbouring ones; and we therefore believe that the Town Commissioners of New Ross ought re-cast the fairs with a view to their improvement.

2. That we respectfully beg to suggest to the Town Commissioners of New Ross to send a number of requisition forms to the Country districts for signature these forms to bear a printed heading in such terms as the Commissioners themselves desire to have signed.

3. That when the Town Commissioners become convinced that the public are in favour of re-casting the Fairs, we think

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think they should hold one or more Conferences in New Ross; such Conferences to be Composed of the Town Commissioners and representatives from the Country. That in Case the Town Commissioners desire to meet representatives from the Rower and Clonamery, we beg to nomina-te as such representatives - Messrs Patrick Galavan, Tincarane, Thos Corcoran Ballygub, Thomas Galavan Cullintra and Patrick Hunt, Rahenduff, and also the Poor Law Guardians of these districts

The above Resolutions were unanimously adopted at a duly Convened an Repre-sentative meeting of farmers held in the Rower on Sunday 2nd August, 1896.

Charles Lynch Hon. Sec.

3rd August 1896.

Form of Requisition also received.

We the undersigned farmers and others inte-rested in the New Ross Fairs respectfully request the Town Commissioners of New Ross to abolish the present fairs, and to appoint new fairs on such days as are best Calculated to induce the greatest possible number of Sellers and Byers to attend in Ross

Name	Residence	Valuation

The above is only a suggestion. It need not necessarily from the Town Commissioners, but

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but <u>uniformity is desirable</u>.
Would one Gentleman from each Rep
Get such forms printed, the Clergy
and teachers would give some
assistance in getting them distributed
and signed at Chapel Gates. I need
scarcely say that We shall defray
the expense of printing &c for this district —
3rd August 1896. C. Lynch

Ordered — That the Clerk write a
a Courteous letter to Mr Lynch, acknowledging
the receipt of his letter and Resolutions
passed, and the form to be signed in favour
of a Change in the days for holding
the Fairs in each Rep. adopted at a
representative meeting of the Farmers
of the Rower and Clonarney on the 2nd
August 1896. Also to state that the
Commissioners feel gratified by learning
of such a Sensible and practical initiation
of the Movement Commenced at the
Rower Meeting, Which is Generally followed
by similar expressions of Authentic public
opinion in favour of the desired Change
in the days for holding the Fairs will
help very much, to remove many of
the difficulties now before the Comm-
issioners, which were not in existence
When they Changed the Fairs in 1873 (after

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spending near two Years Considering ~~the subject~~), and enable them to Comply ~~with~~ the General desire of the public on the subject.

Ordered — That this meeting be adjourned to Friday 7th August 1896, to finally Consider the letter and Resolutions received from the Rower in favour of a Change in the days for holding the Fairs in New Ross, the Members to be duly noticed to attend to Consider and decide on the subject.

The Meeting was adjourned to 7 o'clock P.M. Friday 7th August 1896.

Omission — the Clerk read particulars respecting Trinity Hospital, but the meeting Omitted the Letter from Col Lattenham Read at previous meeting & the sufficient information as to the Cause of delay in the business of this Institution.

1896 — August 7th — Friday 7th August — An Adjourned Meeting of the Town Commissioners held this day at 7 o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. — Also — To Consider important Resolutions Submitted to the Commissioners in favour of a Change in the days for holding the fairs in New Ross

Present — Messrs — David Murphy, Chairman in the Chair
Edward Miskella
Henry G. Hinson
Peter L. Byrne
Peter Murphy
Patrick Kent
John Butler.

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The Documents received from the ~~Rower Meeting~~ Secretary & the Rower meeting at previous meeting of the Commissioners were again read and finally Considered, after which it was

Proposed by Mr Hinson
seconded by Mr Mikella —

"That a requisition in the form suggested by the Rower meeting be printed and sent to the Board of Guardians, that the Guardians may procure the signatures of the farmers and those persons interested therein, in order that the desire of the public be ascertained preparatory to taking steps to have a meeting Called to determine if the Change suggested be desirable.

Ordered — That one hundred Copies of the requisition form received from the Rower Meeting be printed, that sixty Copies be sent to the Board of Guardians ~~New~~ Ross Union for their use, to get them signed, if they approve of Changing the days for holding the fairs in New Ross

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 12th August 1896.

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August 12th

1896— Wednesday 12th August— A meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7 o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854

Also— To Consider a letter from Mr Ennis Wexford respecting Telephonic Connection between Waterford New Ross ~~and Dublin~~ Wexford and Dublin

Important & New Rop.

Members present— Messrs—

Edward Miskella in the Chair.

Matthew Hutchinson

Matthew J. Finn

Patrick Hunt

Peter Murphy

Peter J. Byrne

The weekly Bill amounted to £4.9.0

The following was read.

Crescent Quay, Wexford July 14th 1896.

David Murphy Esq.

Chairman, New Rop Town Commissioners.

Dear Sir,

A Resolution by the New Rop Town Commissioners in favour of my scheme for a Telephone Trunk Line from Waterford to Dublin via New Rop and Enniscorthy, would if forwarded to the Post Master General materially help the project, and I trust you may see your way to propose such a Resolution.

The Wexford Grand Jury, Corporation, Harbour Commissioners,

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Commissioners and Board of Guardians, and the Waterford Corporation Harbour Board and Chamber of Commerce have adopted similar Resolutions. I am Dear Sir

Yours faithfully

M. Ennis

The Clerk explained that the Chairman had handed him some papers and lists &c which he had received respecting granolithic Composition for paving and flagging of streets &c, not necessary to be submitted at meeting, for him, (Clerk) to acknowledge receipt of at leisure. That he had put the papers aside & he acknowledged that from the injury he (Clerk) had received to his shoulder by the fall in the Office, writing had been difficult and painful to him. That he delayed acknowledging the receipt of the papers, and when he examined them he found the letter from M. Ennis amongst them. That when he found it he issued the Notice for the Consideration of it for this Meeting.

Ordered — That the Consideration of M. Ennis' Letter be adjourned to next Meeting the Clerk to ascertain the form of Resolution to be passed the Members to be noticed to attend.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 19th August 1896.

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1896 — Wednesday 19th August — A meeting of
August 19th — the Town Commissioners acting as the
New Ross Urban Sanitary Authority to be held
this day at 7½ O'clock PM. to transact
business pursuant to the Public Health
(Ireland) Act 1878. Members in attendance —
Edward McKella
Peter J. Byrne
David Murphy, Chairman
A Quorum not having attended, the
Meeting was adjourned to Thursday
20th August 1896.
Mr Hutchinson arrived after the adjourn-
ment.

1896 — Thursday 20th August — An Adjourned
August 20th — Meeting of the Town Commissioners and
Street Committee held this day to
transact business pursuant to the
Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854
— Also — "To Consider Steps to be taken
in Lieu of a Trunk Telephone
line from Waterford to Dublin
via New Ross and Enniscorthy." Present —
David Murphy, Chairman in the Chair
Peter J. Byrne
Edward McKella
Patrick Hunt
Matthew J. Finn
John Butler
James Dowling

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Meeky Bill —— £4.9.9

The following was read.

Crescent-Quay Wexford August 18th 1896

John Stein

Town Clerk New Ross

Dear Sir,

I am much obliged for your letter of Yesterday's date.

The mislaying of my ~~letter~~ is not material, and if the New Ross Town Commissioners would now pass a Resolution in substance similar to that I enclose it would help forward my project very much and Complete a Series of Resolutions on the subject by the Municipal and other public bodies in the Towns interested. I may say for your information that Resolutions of a similar nature have already been passed by the Wexford Grand Jury, Wexford Corporation, Wexford Harbour Board, Wexford Board of Guardians, Waterford Corporation, Waterford Harbour Board, Waterford Chamber of Commerce, Enniscorthy Town Commissioners, Gorey Town Commissioners and Wicklow Town Commissioners, and that the Postmaster General has Consented to receive a Deputation on that subject, Consisting of Myself as the Author of the Scheme and representing the Wexford Towns. The Mayor of Waterford

representing

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representing that City, and the following Members of Parliament — J. E. Redmond T. J. Healy, P. Ffrench, Sir Thos Esmond and Dunbar Barton 2.C.

Trusting that the Resolution may meet with the support of Your Council I am dear Sir

Yours faithfully
Michael Ennis

P.S. Copy of ~~any~~ any Resolution passed should be sent ~~to the~~ Postmaster General
M. Ennis.

The following Copy of a Resolution was also received, and was
Proposed by Mr Miskella
Seconded by Mr Hunt —

"That we view with extreme satisfaction, the proposal to Connect Waterford with Dublin by a Telephone Trunk Line running via New Ross and Enniscorthy and that We respectfully urge ~~the~~ Her Majestys Postmaster General to adopt a Scheme of such manifest Commercial advantage to the south East of Ireland". Passed Unanimously.

Ordered — That the Resolution be transmitted to the Postmaster General after being sealed with the Corporate Seal, signed by the Chairman and Clerk. That the Clerk request the Postmaster General to give the subject his Kind attention, with the View of Conceding the request made through their representatives,

by

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by all Classes at this Side of Ireland.

The following was read

Thomastown Union, 15th August 1896.

Sir,

I am directed to forward you the following Copy of a Resolution unanimously adopted by the Board of Guardians at their meeting on Yesterday,

I am Sir
Your obedient Servant
L. Barry
Clerk of Union.

The Town Clerk
New Ross.

Resolved — "That the farmers who attend the New Ross Fairs, have suffered pecuniarly by the Clashing of some of those fairs with neighbouring ones, and therefore believe that the Town Commissioners of New Ross ought to recast the fairs with a View to their improvement."

Ordered — That the Clerk acknowledge the receipt of the Resolution passed by the Thomastown Board of Guardians in favour of Changing the days for holding the Fairs in New Ross, and state that it will be used with similar documentary evidence to show the Local Government Board the public desire existing in favour of a Change in the days for holding the fairs.

The following was read.

The Rower, Inistioge 18th August 1896

Dear

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Dear Sir

I beg to thank ~~you~~ the Town Commissioners, and you for the complimentary way in which you refer to the fairs Meeting which took place here. I also thank you for the forms sent, and for the very instructive letter which accompanied them.

I beg now to return two of the forms duly filled with sixty fine signatures; these quite ~~exhaustive~~ exhaust, not the farmers only but all householders in the Clodagh side of the Rower and Clonamery. There are but two farmers whose names are omitted; I have no doubt that these would sign if invited to do so.

It is of importance that all farmers and others interested in the live stock industry shall be asked to sign, so that there shall be no chance of opposition hereafter. I fancy that the pith of the matter, may the whole substance of it, is honestly put forward in the following query — Do you, or do you not, wish to have the new Rop fairs held on the same days as the Kilkenny fairs? There are some persons who have misgivings as to the success of the proposed fairs. They think it is not safe to alter a very old Custom, and they fear the result. It may be pardonable in such persons to speak thus doubtingly at present. But in a few weeks, when I believe you will have decided to change the fairs. I trust that no man will be so foolish as to say a word against the new

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new Pairs, for every word spoken against them must tend to injure them. If every one interested take the matter up as it ought to be taken up, persons will have no more right to say that the new Pairs shall not be supported, than they have to say that your new Church shall not become a Congregation. It is impossible to believe that any man in Town or Country will be so foolish as not to speak well of that which is his own property and which he may loose or gain by, viz — the new Rop Pairs.

I believe that all buyers and prospective buyers should be treated with the greatest Courtesey. I think you ought at the earliest possible moment, send a Circular letter to all such, telling them what you are about to do and inviting their suggestions

I am Dear Sir

Yours very truly

Charles Lynch

To Wm John Tobin
Town Clerk, New Rop

A recommendation in favour of Nancy Widow Ellen Chapman recommended by the Commissioners of New Rop to the Governors of Trinity Hospital for admission as an inmate of that Institution was read. It was signed by many respectable persons, Clergymen &c

Ordered — That the recommendation be placed amongst the others already received and produced with the others before a Meeting of the Town Commissioners at which such recommendations will be Considered.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 26th August 1896.

1896 — August 26th — Wednesday 26th August — A meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee, to be held this day after 7 o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Present — Messrs —

Patrick Kennedy
Matthew Hutchinson
Matthew J. Finn
Patrick Hunt —

A Quorum not having assembled the meeting was adjourned to Friday 28th August 1896.

1896 — Friday 28th August — A weekly meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee to be held this day at 7 o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the ~~Public Health~~ Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854

No attendance of Members

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 2nd September 1896.

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1896 — September 2nd

Wednesday 2nd September — A meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after ½ o'clock to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854

Present Mess^rs —

David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Patrick Kennedy
Edward Minkella
Matthew J. Finn
Peter J. Byrne
Henry G. Kinsan

Cheques were issued for the following amt^s.

Weekly Bill 26th August —	—	£4.7.6
Weekly Bill, this date —		3.18.0
Mess^rs — Colfer & Gethin, to pay the purchase money of the "Banks interest" in the property occupied by Mrs Galavan in Irishtown		10.0.0

The following was read —

Offices, New Rd 24th August 1896

Minkworth & others to Town Comm^rs

Dear Sir

We beg to inform you that the Deed of Assignment of the Irishtown premises has now been executed by all the persons whose interests the Commissi-
-oners have purchased. Please send us the Commissioners' Cheque for £10—

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the amount of the purchase money, and we shall distribute it amongst the persons entitled.

Yours faithfully
Colfer & Gethin

John Tobin
Town Clerk
New Ross.

Ordered – That a Cheque be filled & pay the representatives of Banks for their interest in the property occupied by Mr Kavanagh in Enniscorthy.

The following was read.

Registered No 323. 05-8/96
Any reply should bear
this number, and should
be addressed –
"The Secretary
General Post office".

General Post office
London 27th August 1896.

Sir,

I am directed by the Postmaster-General to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 24th Instant, enclosing a Copy of a Resolution passed by the Town Commissioners of New Ross on the subject of the extension of Trunk telephone Communication to the South East of Ireland, and to acquaint you, for the information of the Commissioners, that the matter is receiving careful Consideration.

I am
Sir Your obedient Servant
C. G. Hall.

John Tobin Esqr

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 9th September 1896.

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Adjourned Monthly

1896 — Wednesday 9th September — At meeting
September 9th of the Town Commissioners and 4th Street
Committee held this day after 7½ O'clock
P.M. to transact business pursuant to
the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act-1854

Members present — Mess —

D. Murphy, Chairman, in the Chair
Patrick Kennedy
Edward Miskella
Peter J. Byrne
Matthew J. Finn
Henry G. Kinsan
Peter Murphy
James Dowling
Patrick Kent

Cheques were issued for the following amts —

Weekly Bill	4.2.7
Mess J. E. Galavan & Co amt of a/c from December 94 to Aug 96	5.11.0
Mess — M. Keane & Son, amt of a/c from June 93. to June 96 -	10.12.2

A Communication was read from M. Whitty tenant to the Town Commissioners at Fair Gate, saying Gregret to have to Complain of a Neighbour of mine, Ned Donovan occupying one of your Cottages, who has been giving me and my family a Considerable amount of annoyance and trouble for the past few Years, and pray you to have him removed and so Save a great of unpleasantness Thanking You in anticipation. I am Yours respectfully Maggie Whitty.

Ordered — That Edward Donovan Fair Gate

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Gate be written to, stating that Complaint has been ~~made~~ received by the Town Commissioners — That himself and members of his family have been abusing and using Vile language respecting Mr Whitty who lives next door to him, that if such Conduct is not stopped at once, he will be Notified to leave the house he lives in. That the Commissioners will not allow any person who Causes annoyance to persons living in their neighbourhood to remain Tenants under them.

The following proposals were read from the New Rop Gas Company.

New Rop Gas Company Limited

7th September 1896

To the New Rop Town Commissioners.

Gentlemen

I propose on behalf of the New Rop Gas Company limited to light your Public Lamps for seven Months from the 15th September 1896 to the 15th April 1897 (save five nights each moon, that is two nights before and two nights after and the night of the full moon) at £2.14.0 per lamp for 15 lamps lighting all night and £1.14.0 per lamp for 44 lamps extinguished at 11 Oclock P.M..

The lamp at the Khaldel to be Charged at the rate of £5- per annum.

I propose to use a four feet ~~burner~~ per hour burner, Sample of which I send

Yours

The

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The lamps to be supplied by the
Gas Company and Kept in repair as
heretofore

I am Gentlemen
Your obedient Servant
David Kent
Secretary

P.S.

I Cannot give you the Candle power
as I have no appliance for testing
it, but from the quality of the Coal which
will be used I have no hesitation
in saying that the light supplied
will give general satisfaction

D.K.

New Rossgas Company Limited
9th September 1896

The New Ross Town Commissioners
Gentlemen,

I propose on behalf of the
New Ross Gas Company Limited to light
the Public Lamps for five Months from
the 15th April 1897 to 15th September 1897
at £1- per lamp for 15 lamps lighting
all night.

I am Gentlemen
Your obedient Servant
David Kent, Secretary.

Ordered that the Two proposals for lighting
the public lamps during the perids named in
the proposals and at the prices named in the
proposals be accepted.

The Meeting was adjourned
to Wednesday 16th September 1896

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1896— September 16th

Wednesday 16th September — A meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854

Members present Mssrs. —

David Murphy, Chairman in the Chair.
Edward Miskella
Peter J. Byrne
John Meehan
Patrick Hunt
Patrick Kennedy

Cheques were issued for the following amounts —

108 Weekly Bill — £4. 9. 0

109 New Ros Gas Company, Summer lamps, from 15th April to 15th September 1895, & Gas in Tholsel & Fishhouse 18. 12. 5

110 New Ros Gas Coy. lighting public Lamps from 15th Sept to 31st December 1895, Light Tholsel, and fittings in Lane 64. 19. 5

Street Inspectors Report — There are eight heaps of manure finished for sale in the Commissioners yard.

A boatload of gravel will be required for the footpath of the Bridge this winter.

I called on Mr Meehan last Week & have the manure removed from Staceys Yard at Fair Gate. He has not removed it up to the present time. After the last heavy rain it requires to be Cleaned up again. If the manure had been removed it would have been done on this Week.

I got an Order from Mr Murphy, Chairman,

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to Give Mr Joseph Freeman a loan of the long ladders. On this morning the men came down for them. The ladders are very heavy and it is dangerous to stand on small ladders to take them down. The man in Charge of the Town horse was passing at the time with an empty Car. I asked him to bring over the Car for the men to stand on and he told me he would not. I Called him again and he would not Come. The men had to look for a Car to stand on to take the ladders down. I Complained to Mr Hartley often about this Man before and told him I would report him for being too slow after the horse. If he goes to the Yard he will stop for a long time before he will Come back. I now ~~Call~~ ask the Board to Call on Hartley to send another Man after the horse. He will not do his work. Patrick Redmond. 16th Left.

I took the depth and breath of the new pump at the Three Bullet Gate on this evening. The pump is ten feet one inch deep + in breath six feet ten
16th Sept. inches.

Ordered — That advertisements be issued inviting proposals for the Sale of eight heaps of manure, the proposals to be Considered at next meeting.

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Ordered – That a Copy of the Street Inspectors report be sent to Philip Hartley and asking his explanation about the matters referred to therein.

Ordered – That a Boatload of Gravel be procured for use at the Bridge.

Ordered – That E. Teehan be written to requiring him to remove the manure from Staceys Yard as soon as possible.

The Collectors Reported that houses in near the Bowling Green had become flooded during the heavy rains, owing to the Grate at the drain in Staceys Yard not having been looked after. That the door of Calletons house in William Street required a latch the door case required to be repaired – the Glass required to be putties. A latch required on M Murphys door near B. Grich

Ordered – That the Inspector select one of the men employed by the Commissioners to Keep the Grate at the drain in Staceys Yard Clean, and that himself inspect and see that the work is ~~no~~ done, and if not to report the reason Why.

Ordered – That the Work required ~~to be done~~ at Culleton and Murphys doors be done. That the Glass be putties &c

A Communication was read from G. Bellhouse Her Majestys Inspector of Factories and Workshops 12 Dawson Street Dublin enclosing a Notice

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Notice of beginning to occupy Factory or Workshop from Bridget Murphy, Marsh Lane, New Ross, for Dressmaking, and requesting that acknowledgement of same be made by the Clerk to the Sanitary Authority

The following was read.

Crescent Quay Wexford, Sept. 4th 1896

J. McRobin Esqr
Town Clerk New Ross

Dear Sir,

I am extremely obliged for your letter of Yesterday's date enclosing Copy of your letter to the P.L.G. and reply thereto. I have ~~every hope~~ very strong hopes of Carrying this project to a successful issue and the action of Your Commissioners has been of great advantage to it.

I am Dear Sir
Yours very truly
Michael Ennis

The following was read.

Instiogue 8th Sept 1896

Dear Mr Robin,

I enclose what I Consider to be a Valuable list of signatures in favour of a Change in your fairs. Please note extract from Mr Ryan's letter on back. You Cannot expect a Document which has gone the rounds, to be otherwise than tattered, patched and soiled. I presume that you will

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will preserve these documents. Have you no medium but the Board of Guardians through which to send requisitions to the Country ?

Yours Very Sincerely
Charles Lynch.

To
W.J. Tobin
Town Clerk Newbridge.

Extract from W.J. the Ryans letter to W. Lynch accompanying the requisition signatures. — Every one asked to sign did so and also approves of the Change. All the names on this list, with the exception of four, are from the parish of Thomastown. You Can judge by that, that the signatories represent the greater portion of the ~~Public~~ parish. The four exceptions are from Louisiage parish

Boneybrook, Thomastown
3rd September 96.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 23rd September 1896.

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September 23rd Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7 o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854

Present — Messrs — David Murphy, Chairman, in the Chair.
Patrick Kennedy
Matthew J. Finn
Edward Mikella
James Dowling

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The Weekly Bill amounted to — £4.5.0

In Reference to Sanitary Sub Officers Report in Sanitary Minutes

Ordered — That E. Feehans proposal to fine 2/- for the manure raised from the drain at Fair Gate be accepted. That E Feehan have the manure removed from Stacys Yard against the 30th September 1896

The following was read.

Tuay, Newry, Sept 23rd 1896

Gent.

In reply to a Communication I received from Mr Tobin respecting the Street Inspectors Report of the man who works my horse. I beg to say that I heard no Complaint of him for the last twelve months, and if I did I would reprove him. But should the man not be doing his Work to the Satisfaction of the Commissioners I will get another man in his place. I am Gentlemen

Your Obedient Servant

Philip Hartley.

Flynn, the man working Hartleys horse Came before the meeting and in reply denied that he heard the Inspector Call him to aid in getting down the ladders or that he delayed in the manure yard when he had anything to do.

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The Inspector Came before the meeting and restated the Charges in his report that Flynn refused to bring the Car to aid in taking down the ladders for Mr Freemans men. and that Flynn frequently delayed in the manure yard and did not promptly bring out the horse to his work.

Flynn again denied that the Inspector Called him to assist in taking down the ladders — if the Inspector Called him, he did not hear him.

After Inspector and Flynn retired. Ordered — That Flynn be strongly reprimanded by Philip Hartley; that if Flynn is not obedient in future to the Inspector the Commissioners Cannot allow him to be in the Commissioners employment.

The following proposals were received for manure.

Edward Browne, Annestown,	5 heaps	@22/6	per heap
Miss M. A. Whitney, Creacon,	3 "	22/6	"
Patrick Kelly, Cumblin,	2 "	22/6	"
Mrs A. J. Alexander, McMurrough Cottage	3 "	22/6	"
Bryan Hennessy, New Rd,	4 "	22/6	"
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As there were only nine heaps on hands, it was Ordered — That E Brownes proposal be accepted for 3 heaps at 22/6 per heap

Miss Whitneys proposal be accepted for 2 heaps at 22/6 per heap

Patrick Kellys Proposal be accepted for 1 heap at 22/6 per heap

Mrs Alexanders Proposal be accepted for 1 heap at 22/6 per heap

B. Hennessys Proposal be accepted for 2 heaps at 22/6 per heap

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Street Inspectors Report — I inspected the flagging

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flagging in Roaberon from Mr Hearns Phelans Shop Corner. Half the flags are broken away, not there, and water lying ~~on~~ the footpath. Some of the flags are good and would do to reset again. The Granel footpath over as far as the houses is very bad and low and the water is lying on it. From the houses over to the stores, no water stands on the foot path over there. The Kerb stones are good.

On this day I took the depth of the pump at Three Bullet gate — thirteen feet deep — breath six feet two inches.

The ~~Meeting~~ was adjourned to Wednesday 30th ~~January~~ September 1896.

1896— September 30th

Wednesday 30th September — A Monthly meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7 o'clock P.M to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Members present — Mess — David Murphy, Chairman in the Chair
Patrick Kennedy
Patrick Hunt
Edward Minkella
Peter J Byrne
John Meehan
Cheques were issued for the following amounts —

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115 Weekly Bill ——— £4·12·3

Co. W. Carr, Agent, "Inn" Office ~~Apa~~ One Years

117 Annual Premium for Insurance, on Hotel · 18·0

118 New Ross Gas Coy. amt of a/c for half seasons

Gas ending 15th April 1896 —— 64·12·11

Street Inspector's Report — On this day took the pump well at Three Bullet Gate — depth Seventeen feet Eight inches.

The following post Card was read.

County Surveyor's Office, Kilkenny 26th Sept. "96

Dear Sir

I have received your letter of the 22nd Inst. and beg to inform you that the matter will have my attention. A. H. Burden

County Surveyor

John Tobin

Town Commissioners Office, New Ross.

Ordered — That — Messrs — J. Meehan, P. Kennedy, E. McKella, P. L. Byrne and D. Murphy Chairman be appointed a Committee to Inspect Rochercon Streets and the Road leading to Chilcomb and report on the defects in them. The Committee to be noticed to Meet at 10 o'clock A.M.

That the Clerk Write to the County Surveyor of Kilkenny stating that a Committee of the Commissioners would meet him, to Confer with him respecting improvements required to be made in Rochercon Streets if he drops a line before Coming, stating the date and time he will Come.

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Mr Byrne brought under notice that two Kerbs in the footpath in Quay Street, one removed from its place and another with one end raised up — both very dangerous to persons passing along the footpath.

Ordered — That the Clerk Write to Mr Jones County Surveyor's Assistant Priory Street informing him of the dangerous State of the Footpath in Quay Street — one Kerbstone out of place and another raised at one Causing people to stumble When Walking Also, to ask him to be good enough to direct that they be adjusted immediately

A proposal was read from William Kehoe Lacken for two heaps of Manure @ 22/6 per heap. As there were no heaps for sale on hands. The proposal was Kept until Some heaps be made.

A note was read from Mrs Whitney, Quaco Saying She would take the two heaps of Manure at Lotts 4 her at previous meeting.

The Clerk stated that Notice had been Served on Anne Wallace by the Collector, to leave the house which she lives in in William Street, as She had Called to the Office and Complained — That She had let a room to a woman who had

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caused her much annoyance and would not leave the on her notice to do so. That the procedure of noticing hereby ready means of getting her troublesome lodger out. Approved.

The Chairman said he had learned that the Fire Engine had been out under the weather since the fire took place at Hartleys on the Quay.

Ordered - That the Clerk write to William Hartrick, stating that the Commissioners were surprised to learn that the fire Engine has been left out under the weather, since the time the fire occured at Hartleys on the Quay. That they directed that the Engine be oiled where required, and removed to the Engine room on the Quay. Also that the Engine be brought out for exercise on the Quay at 4 Oclock P. M. Monday 5th October 1896.

That the Clerk issue notices to the Commissioners informing them that the Engine will be exercised at 4 Oclock P. M. Monday 5th October 1896..

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 7th October 1896.

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~~Adjourned~~ Monday 5th October — Monthly Meeting day. No attendance of Members. The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 7th October 1896

1896 — October 7th

Wednesday 7th October — A weekly, and an Adjourned Meeting of the Town Commissioners, and of the Street Committee held this day after 7 o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Present, Messrs — David Murphy Chairman in the Chair

Patrick Kennedy
Peter Murphy
~~Patrick Hoot~~
William Murphy
Edward Miskella
Henry G. Hinson
~~Peter J. Rafter~~

~~John Meehan~~

(Commissioners present were Messrs Murphy, Kennedy, Miskella, Hinson and Meehan)

Cheques were issued for the following amounts

120 Weekly Bill — £4.3.6
122 John Tobin Clerk & Salary due 7th Inst — 18.15.0

Street Inspectors Report — A Boat of limestones will be required for the Bridge and the entrance in Bridge Street and on the Quay for the Coming Winter.

On this week I got the work on Thomas Fitzhenry's house at the Fair Gate repaired by Michael Cahill. Also, some repairs done to the Shed in the yard.

The following was read.

Report — of the Committee appointed to inspect and report on the Condition of the Streets in

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in Rosbercon, and the Roadway leading to Chilcomb held this day at 10½ Oclock A.M. Present – Mesrs – David Murphy Patrick Kennedy Edward Miskella and John Meehan.

The Committee inspected the streets and road and made the following report.

The Roadway of the Bridge approach requires to be raised in the Centre, to Keep the water in the paved Channels. Some broken flags in the footpath, leading to the Railway Station require to be replaced by new ones.

From the Railway Station to the Bridge Approach, the roadway requires to be raised in the Centre.

The lower Street – The flagging of the footpath is so worn down, and so many flags broken, and some of them removed away, that to make the footpath Convenient and Safe for the Public, it would require it to be remade, and raised in or about six inches higher than it is at present. At least, all the broken flags should be replaced by new ones.

~~From the Railway Station to the Bridge~~

The Centre of the street here and the Road – may from here to Chilcome, require to be raised in the Centre to Keep the Water off the roadway,

The Manure and broken stones now at the side of the road, should be removed to a depot. The worn away footpath, from the

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the end of the Chilcomb footpath to where the road turns up to Shambogh ought to be restored properly as a footpath.

A protection wall from near the Chilcomb gate to the near end of the footpath at Chilcomb is very much required to prevent danger to life. The wall that had been there is worn down to the footpath, rendering it possible on a dark night, for a person to fall a Considerable distance into the Marsh, and probably, head foremost into the drain of Water which is very Close to the road.

The Water tables require to be effective for Conveying the Water from the roadway.

We Consider that on the Whole, the roads within the Borough, in the County of Kilkenny are greatly neglected.

5th October 1896.

John Meehan
Patrick Kennedy
David Murphy
Edward Miskella.

Ordered — That a Copy ~~be sent~~ of the report be sent to the County Surveyor for the County of Kilkenny.

The following was read

I beg to resign my position as Chairman of the New Rep Town Commissioners.

October 7th 1896. David Murphy

Proposed by Mr Hinson
seconded by Mr Kennedy — that Mr Murphys resignation

Resignation as Chairman be accepted
Rassed.

Proposed by W Hinson
Seconded by W Kennedy

That Edward Mitkella be elected Chairman of the new Rop Lavan Commissioners.
Rassed.

Mr Mitkella took the Chair.

A note was received from Edward Browne Annestown stating that he would accept the three heaps of manure allotted to him at 22/6 per heap. Accepted.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 14th September 1896

E. Mitkella
Chmn

1896 — Wednesday 14th October — A weekly
October 14th Meeting of the Lavan Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after ½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Members present — Messrs —
Edward Mitkella, Chairman in the Chair
Matthew Hutchinson
Henry G. Hinson
Matthew S. Flinn
James Dowling

124 The weekly Bill amounted to — £4.9.0

The following was read. — Kilkenny 12th Oct. 1896

John

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John Tobin
Dear Sir

In reply to yours of the 3rd Inst
I expect to be in New Ross tomorrow
(Tuesday) and shall be pleased to
meet the Committee of the Town Comrs
to Confer re improvements in Roxborough

Yours truly
A. M. Burden

At 1 Oclock at Hotel

The Clerk states that he could not get
the Committee to attend as each member
were particularly engaged at the time.
That he (Clerk) went over to Roxborough
and saw Mr Burden, who appeared the
after looking over the places referred to in
the report ~~which he~~ of the Committee which
he had read. Mr Burden stated that
some of the matters referred to in the report
should be brought before the presenting
Sessions in Glenmore. That Mr J. B. Hearn
was the Contractor for Keeping the Footpath
in repair, and that the matter was in the
hands of "Yourselves", I suppose meaning the
Town Commissioners.

Ordered - That the Clerk Write to Mr Burden
County Surveyor for the County of Kilkenny,
Saying — The Commissioners will feel
obliged for his observations on the report

of

of the Committee appointed by the Commis-
- sioners, who inspected the streets of Roscrea
and the Waterford road from Roscrea
to the boundary of the Borough, and for
any suggestions he will feel it necessary
to give, as to the best and speediest means
of having the matters referred to in the Report
remediad as soon as possible. The matters
referred to in the report have long been
Complained of by the Inhabitants, and the
Commissioners had no power to get the
Causes of the Complaints adjusted, the power
for doing so being vested in the County
Authorities.

The following was received

Local Government Board, Ireland,
Limerick 8th October 1896.

Sir,

In pursuance of the provisions
of the Local Government, Ireland, Act
34 & 35 Vic. Cap 109, Thereby give Notice
that I shall attend at the Town Hall,
New Ross, on Monday the 2nd day of
November at the hour of Ten O'clock
in the Forenoon, for the purpose Auditing
the Accounts of The New Ross Town Commis-
- sioners for the year ended 31st December ~~1896~~
last; and I hereby require You to Cause
Notice of the time and place of Audit to
be published in some one or more of the
the public newspapers Circulated in Such
Town in accordance with the requirements

Of

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of 17th Section of the above-mentioned
Act.

I have also to request that you
will Communicate this appointment
to the and the Treasurer,
Collector, and other accounting officers;
and that you will forward to me at
at the above address, a Copy of the Newspaper
Containing the printed Notice of Audit.

I am
Sir
Your obedient Servant
Courtney Croker
Auditor

To W. Robin
Town Clerk
New Rop.

Ordered— That the Notice of Audit be
inserted in the next issue of the New Rop
Standard.

The Meeting was adjourned to Friday
16th October 1896. The members to be notified
to attend.

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1896—
October 16th

Friday 16th October. An Adjourned Meeting of the Town Comm^rs and Street Committee held this day at 7½ O'clock P. M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Also to transact important business. Present—Messrs—

Edward McKeller Chairman in the Chair
Peter I. Byrne took the Com^rs Declaration
Patrick Kent, took the Com^rs Declaration
Henry G. Hinson
David Murphy, took the Com^rs Declaration

The following was read

Offices New Rd, 13th October 1896.

Dear Sir,

We send you herewith the following documents—

1 Original Lease dated 14th June 1851, Com^rs to Bridget Madigan

2 ~~Bond~~ Original Bond dated 15th September 1891 Maurice McGrath and sureties.

3 Original Lease dated 23rd June 1894 Michael Hunt to the Commissioners.

4 Statement of Rents due by Commissioners to Reps of Colclough.

5 Copy Mortgage, dated 24th July 1895, from Town Com^rs to Board of Works

Kindly acknowledge receipt.

With regard to your Copy of the Costs which were furnished and taxed, it must be in possession of Mr Hearn Solicitor and as to these Costs, we would feel obliged for

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for a Cheque for their amount at ~~the~~ early ~~date~~ Convenience of the Commissioners.

The Lease to Thorpe is temporarily mislaid but we hope to find it and send it to you in a day or two.

Yours very truly
Colfer & Gethin

John Lehin
Town Clerk, New Ross.

The documents named in the letter were submitted by the Clerk to the Meeting.

Ordered — That a receipt for the documents received from Messrs Colfer and Gethin be sent to them by the Clerk.

The following was read.

Offices, New Ross, 13th October 1896.

Town Commissioners & Resident.

Dear Sir,

We return draft Lease as approved of, as altered and amended in red ink — We have added. We had added a Clause binding the lessee to Keep the premises insured in such a Sum as the Commissioners may think reasonable, but if it deemed proper to dispense with the Clause We shall strike it out. We have no means of checking the accuracy of the draft Map, and would suggest that one of your Officials measure the ground and report to you as to whether the Measurement in draft lease and map are Correct

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Yr

Or not.

Yours very truly
Colfer & Gethin

To John Lobin
Town Clerk, New Ross.

Ordered – That the Clerk and Inspector measure the ground, to ascertain if the ground measurements in the Map in the draft Lease are Correct or not.

The following was read.

New Ross, 10th October 1896.

Dear Sir,

Enclosed, I beg to hand you a Notice from Mr S. Keogh asking to have all Cut stone &c removed from that portion of the old Brewery Yard which the Commissioners let to me on the understanding that I was to get six weeks Notice before being disturbed. For me to have materials stored there removed immediately would cause me great inconvenience as well as trouble and expense, and therefore must ask you for an explanation and protection against any damage of the Cut stone.

Yours faithfully
A. Cullen

John Lobin
Clerk, New Ross Town Comm^rs.

Copy Mr Keoghs Notice referred to.

Having Contracted with Mr Cooney to repair the back wall of Cellar I will thank you to have the Cut stone, Brick &c removed immediately to enable him to proceed with his work without damaging

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damaging your property.

Yours truly

Samuel Kough

Ordered — That the Clerk inform McCullen that while he is Tenant to the Commission-ers, they have no Control in the matter — That it lies between himself and M. Kough

An application was read from Jeremiah Corbet Tenant Lane, Offering to take the yard Called the Pound for 5/- per year.

Ordered — That the Clerk ask John Connolly Tenant Lane if he will pay 10 per Month as a Monthly Tenant and become Pound Keeper and ask J Corbet Tenant Lane if he will take the Pound and become Pound Keeper at 6d per Month as a Monthly Tenant.

That if Connolly Consents to become Tenant and act as pound Keeper that the Clerk report his Consent or refusal to next Meeting.

That if J Corbet accepts the tenancy and become Pound Keeper, or refuses, that the Clerk report result to next Meeting.

The following was read.

Bridge street, New Ross. 15th October 1896.

Dear Sir

Your letter of Yesterdays date to hand. I have written to My Town Agent in Dublin to return me the Bill of Costs as ~~ascertained~~ asked for and which I will send over to

your

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Office on getting same down.

Yours faithfully
M. F. Kearn

W. John Robin.

The following was read.

I beg to resign my position of Chairman of the New Ross Town Commissioners
New Ross October 16th 1896. E. Miskella

Ordered – That Mr Miskellas resignation be accepted.
Proposed by Mr Miskella
Seconded by Mr Hinson –
That David Murphy be elected Chairman of the Town Commissioners
Passed Unanimously.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 21st October 1896.

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Wednesday 21st " October – A weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 4 o clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns' Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Members present – Mayor –
David Murphy, Chairman in the Chair
Matthew Hutchinson
Peter J. Byrne
Peter Murphy
Edward Miskella
Patrick Hunt
John Butler

Cheques

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127 The weekly Bill amounts to — £4.7.9

The Clerk reported that with the Inspector he had measured the new take by W. Reville of the house and yard in upper part of William Street, previously occupied by the late John Healy There was some difficulty in finding the boundaries of Healys holding as all traces of the boundary of Healys holding were Covered by the new building which is plastered over the Measurements they found were as follows

From North to South 35 feet

From East to West — 23 at one end and 25 feet at the other end

The measurements were taken from the outsides of the Walls from North to South.

The Consideration of the Subject was adjourned until the Clerk Could see the other measurements in Mr Revilles Other leases.

Messrs — John R. Calfer, Peter A. Pope and Dr N. J. Meehan Came before the meeting, with the following proposal —

21st October 1896.

The New Rop Town Commissioners.

Mr Chairman & Gentlemen,

It has been resolved at a meeting Convened by Special requisition to reopen as a News Room or Chamber of Commerce, the large upper Room in the Theatre, which was closed about nine

or

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or ten years ago, if the Lower Commissi-
-oners will let it, and the ~~adjoining~~ adjoining
small room, (which is situated between
it and their offices) at a reasonable rent.

In accordance with the said resolution
We hereby beg to submit an offer of a
rent Six pounds (£6.) per year for the
two rooms, provided that You will execute
the necessary repairs.

We shall thank you for a reply
at Your earliest Convenience

John R Calfer
P. A. Pope
T. I. Meehan

Proposed by Mr Miskella
Seconded by Mr Hutchinson,

That We Consider
the proposal of Messrs- Calfer, Pope, and
Meehan ought to be accepted provided
it be approved of at a meeting Called
Specially to Consider the Subject

Passed Unanimously.

Ordered- That Notices be issued inviting
the members to attend to Consider the Subject
fully. on Wednesday 28th October 1896.

Messrs- Calfer, Pope & Meehan retired.

Street Inspectors Report- There will
be five heaps of manure finished in the
Commissioners' Yard this week.

The lower part of the door of the yard
at Fair Gate got broken on the Fair day

Mr

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Mr Stacey told me by Cattle outside the door, not inside that broke it. A few small boards will be sufficient to repair it by Cahill.

I have to state that on Thursday morning in John Street and over at the stores there was a big lot of sweeping to be done before the Carman. Curran and the Carman were Cleaning up Bridge street. Scanlan was standing at the Hotel. I went over to him to get him to sweep John street, and over at the stores before the Carman. He went down North street and I went down after him to bring him back. He would not Come to sweep. I had to bring Curran out after ten Oclock to sweep the lanes and the Quay and over priory street, and on Saturday he would not sweep the Channl in Robert St at Mrs Cloneys Gate before the Carman, only standing. I Called on him to sweep before the Men. The Men had to go and Clean with the shovels down Barrack lane and he Came after them. Curran was after sweeping at the back of Dr Meehans and Came up by the Kill School and out in Barrack Lane to meet the Car. Scanlan will not do his work on the Town, and Curran is not much better at the present time. I have to be after

after them along.

Patiek Redmond.

The Inspector was Called before the meeting. He reiterated and explained his Repot.

Scanlan was also Called before the meeting and the Charges read for him. He denied the Charges as untrue statements.

After the Inspector and Scanlan retired. After they retired the Commissioners Considered the matter.

Scanlan was Called before the meeting, Cautioned, and told that if any other Complaint about him before the Commissioners as to his being drunk, or disobedient to the Inspector, as to the performance of his work, he would be dismissed.

Clerks Report. -

The lists and necessary notices required, in Connection with the Annual Election of Town Commissioners for the 15th October 1896, were prepared, printed and posted.

The other Documents and papers required for an Election of Commissioners were prepared.

Nomination papers were receipted for the four outgoing Commissioners for the New Rop Ward - Mesrs - D. Murphy, P. Hunt, I. Meehan and P. I. Byrne.

No other nomination paper being handed in, the Returning Officer declared the four nominated Candidates duly elected.

No nomination paper being served for the

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The Rotheroon Ward, the Outgoing Member ~~Was~~ W^m Kennedy, was declared duly Returned
a Commissioner
for the ensuing three years, by the Returning Officer

The Rotation list stands as follows. —

New Rep Ward

1896 David Murphy
" Patrick Hunt
" John Meehan
" Peter J. Byrne
1895 Michael Hickey
" William Murphy
" Bryan Kennedy
" Edward Miskella
1894 John Butler
" Matthew Hutchinson
" Henry G. Hinson
" Peter Murphy

Rotheroon Ward

1896 Patrick Kennedy
1895 Matthew J. Finn
1894 James Dowling.

15th October 1896.

John Tobin
Town Clerk.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday
28th October 1896.

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Wednesday 28th October — A meeting of the Town Commissioners, and Street Committee held this day after ½ oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 — Also — "To Consider a proposal for the Tenancy of the upper and the adjoining small one, in the Shelsel, from Messrs — J. R. Colfer P. A. Pope and Dr Meehan, for reopening a News Room, or Chamber of Commerce, at a rent of £6 — per Annum." Members present — Messrs

David Murphy, Chairman, in the Chair.
Matthew J. J. Finn
Patrick Kennedy, (took the Com^rs declaration).
Peter Murphy
Henry G. Hinson
Peter J. Byrne

The Weekly Bill amounted to — £4.3.6

The following was read

No 37, 575. — 1896.

Miscellaneous.

Immediate.

Local Government Board
Dublin, 22nd October 1896.

Sir,

I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to state that they have received a Copy of a Resolution of the House of Commons dated 13th August last, requiring a Return showing, amongst other things, the Charge on the Local Rates in Ireland during the financial year ended 1894 for Elementary Education;

and

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and for the purpose of the Return I am to request that You will have the goodness to inform the Local Government Board as soon as possible, whether any, and if so, what portion of the amount of Rates shown in the Abstract of the Accounts of the Town Authority for their financial Year ended in 1894 was applied towards Elementary Education

I am,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
Thomas A. Mooney,
Secretary.

To the Town Clerk
New Ross.

The Clerk ~~stated that~~ as the letter was marked Immediate, he had written in reply — That no expenditure of the Local Rates was applied during the Financial Year ended 31st December 1894, ~~during~~ towards Elementary Education. Approved.

In accordance with notice to the Members —

Proposed by Mr McKella
Seconded by Mr Kennedy —

That the large Room formerly occupied as a Reading Room and Called by the Name of "The New Ross ~~Reading~~ News Room" and also the small Room adjoining be let to Messrs — Surgeon General Cherry D Meehan and J. McConkey as Tenants on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce at a Rent of Six pounds per year including

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including all taxes. The Tenancy to Commence
1st December 1896. Passed, W Hinson
dissenting

A Communication was read from Mrs Johannah Rough South Street saying I intend to take in the pipe water as soon as Convenient

Ordered - That Johanna Rough be allowed to take in the pipe water on the usual Conditions.

The following proposals for Manure were read.
J. Jeffares, Leask for three heaps at 23/- per heap
Mrs Alexander, Mc Murrough Cottage - Three heaps @ 23/- " "
Miss M. A. Whitney, Creacon, Two heaps @ 22/6 " "

Proposals Manure

Ordered - That J Jeffares proposal be accepted for two heaps at 23/- per heap

Ordered - That Mrs Alexanders proposal be accepted for Two heaps at 23/- per heap

Ordered - That Miss M. A Whitneys proposal be accepted for one heap @ 22/6.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 4th November 1896

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November 4th Monday 2nd November - Monthly Meeting day. No attendance of Members.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 4th November 1896.

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1896 — November 4th

Wednesday 4th November — A weekly and adjourned Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and of the Street Committee to be held this day at ½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Mr Murphy, the Chairman was the only member in attendance.

A Quorum not having attended, the Meeting was adjourned to Thursday 5th November 1896.

1896 — November 5th

Thursday 5th November — An Adjourned Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after ½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854

Members present — Messrs —

David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Edward Miskella
Patrick Kennedy
Patrick Hunt
Peter J. Byrne

Cheques were issued for the following amounts: —

Weekly Bill — £4.9.0

Cashier, Bank of Ireland & Pay Board of Public Works, thirty Second instalment of Loan for building Labourers Dwellings —

Principal — £28.5.0
Interest to 31st Oct. 1896 28.11.0 — £56.16.0

The following is the Receivable

Order.

No 110 Offices of Public Works, Dublin,

Loans Labs Dwellings 31st October 1896.

Please to Receive from New Rop Town Commissioners
the sum of £56.16.0 and place the same to
the "General Cash Account" of the Commissioners
of Public Works.

Principal ——,—	£28.5.0
Interest to 31st October 1896	28.11.0
	£56.16.0

To the Cashiers of the Bank
of Ireland

O. H. Braddell
Accountant.

The following was read.

54 South Street New Rop 1st Nov 5th 1896.

To the Presiding Chairman, New Rop Town Comrs

Sir

I propose to repair Ceiling of Chamber of Commerce, repair Windows & floor, touch up and Varnish Woodwork, paint Sashes inside white, Whiten Ceiling, put a new Bolt on door and repair roof for the Sum of £3.10.0

I am Sir, Your obedient Servant
J. Freeman

Accepted.

The Meeting was adjourned
To Wednesday 11th November 1896.

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1896 — Wednesday 11th November — A meeting of the
November 11th Town Commissioners and Street Committee held
this day after 7½ O'clock P. M. to transact
business pursuant to the Towns Improve
- ment (Ireland) Act 1854. Members present
David Murphy Chairman, in the Chair
Matthew Hutchinson
Patrick Kennedy
Matthew I. Finn.
Henry G. Hinson

The Weekly Bill amounted to — £4. 6. 0

Inspectors Report — William Hartrick on Saturday got the Fire Engine taken over to the Engine Room. I had it ready for him

The pump in the Lighttown at Salavans is in Great danger by the fat Cattle.

I would recommend to have an iron Railing put around it to Keep it from being broken on Fair days as do much Cattle do be standing around there for hours.

By the last Great storm a few of the timber boards on the roof of the Fishhouse got taken away. I would recommend to get Lacey to put them in again and also an Iron bar got broken in the Fishhouse Window. It would be well to get John Kough to put it in again

I have to State that after the fire engine stopped working I went to look after the Water Buckets. I Could not get them all. On this

morning

& Morning (4th November) I got them all except one which is gone

I got the Eave shoots of the Labourer's Dwellings in Church Lane, Boaling Green and William Street Cleaned on this week by Cahill.

There are four heaps of Manure in the Commissioners Yard.

The following were read

Town Clerks Office, Court House Drogheda
5th November 1896.

Sir,

I am directed by the Municipal Council of Drogheda to forward You annexed Copy of a Resolution unanimously adopted at a Meeting held on the 2nd Instant.

I am Dear Sir
Your obedient Servant
Peter Connolly
Town Clerk

Copy of Resolution
Proposed by Councillor Elcock
Seconded by Alderman Jourdan, and Resolved:—

That inasmuch as the important Committee appointed by the present Government of England to inquire into the Financial Relations existing between Great Britain and Ireland have brought in their report, showing that this Country has been robbed by excessive taxation to the enormous sum of 2¾ Millions Sterling Yearly for upwards of a period of 40 Years. Now we, the Corporation of Drogheda, representing the Ratepayers of this important seaport

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seaport Town, Call upon the Govern-
-ment to take such steps as will relieve
Ireland of this unequal and unjust
Taxation, and make immediate arrange-
-ents to repair in some substantial measure
the Great injustice done to our Country.

Ordered — That the Resolution receive
from Drogheda be adopted.

Another Circular and Resolution
respecting the same subject was
received from the Town Commissioners
of Maryborough.

The following was read

New Church, New Rop, 4th November 1896

Gentlemen,

In reply to Your letter dated
20th October I beg to say that I could not
undertake to Contest the Commissioners right
to the Ground let to me, and fearing that the
materials stored thereon might be damaged
I had them removed at a great inconvenience

I may remind You that there was a
Condition in the letting that either party
should give six weeks notice before' eviction
— bance should take place.

As I was obliged to remove without
notice I now beg to ~~hand~~ hand over the Key
and enclose Cheque for £4. 10. 0 being the
amount

amount of rent due for the place up to date -

I also enclose a small a/c due to me by the Commissioners for which please let me have remittance and oblige

Yours very truly

The New Rop Town Commissioners. A Cullen.

A Cheque for £4. 10. 0 and a Bill for a ~~Report~~ Report and Specification for repairs of the Roof of the Thalia — Inspection of work when done, and for work securing one of the Vases on the Thalia — Amount £1. 8. 6

Ordered — That the surrender of the possession of the part of the manure yard held by A Cullen be accepted and that a Cheque be issued at next meeting for the amount of his Bill.

The following was read.

Irish Education Act 1892

Office of National Education

Dublin 31st October 1896

Appointment of School Attendance Committee Succession

Sir

We are directed by the Commissioners of National Education to remind You that in accordance with the provisions of the Irish Education Act 1892 and of the Regulations adopted by the Town Commissioners of New Rop acting as Local Authority of the Place, the period of service of the School attendance Committee for

New

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New Rds will terminate on 31st December next and that it devolves upon the Local Authority to appoint before the 30th November next half the members of the Committee which shall act from 1st January 1897.

Under the regulations adopted by the Local Authority the Committee for New Rds Consists of ten Members.
The Local Authority should therefore appoint five members.

The Special attention of the Local Authority is requested to the requirements of the Act (see sec 3. (1) that not less than one half of the members of each School attendance Committee "shall where such persons are available be Managers or Patrons of schools in the place"

We are to request that Your Commissioners will be good enough to advise this Board as soon as possible of the names, addresses &c of the persons appointed by them to serve on their behalf of the new Committee and furnish a statement showing in each case whether the person appointed is or is not a Manager or Patron of a School in the place. In the Case of Managers or Patrons of Schools the names and description of the School should be given

On

On the receipt of a notification from your "Commissioners of the required particulars regarding the persons appointed by them the Commissioners of National Education will proceed to appoint their own half of the Committee

A form for giving the required information is herewith enclosed.

We are
Sir
Your obedient Servants
A. C. Taylor }
M. S. Seymour } Secretaries

The form for entering the names was annexed

~~The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 18th September 1896~~

The Clerk hand in the following stock list taken in the upper Large Room.

List of the furniture and articles left in the large Room by the members of the late Chamber of Commerce in lieu of the rent due £24 —

One large Table 18.6 ft inch. long x 4.2 ft inches wide, fitted with three gas pillars for lighting the room.
One small table 3.10 ft 2 inches long by 2.6 ft inches wide
One do " 4.6 long by 3.6 wide with drawer
Nine high backed Chairs —
Two " " in Servant Right Reading Room
Six forms with turned legs
Six Cushions for forms.

One

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One plain deal form belonging to lower large room.

Three Mahogany paper frames.

One large Atlas, by Keith Johnson, bound by Harvey Waterford

Two old Directories

One Reading Eagle stand

One eight day Clock

One good Weather Glass

One fender

One Tongs

One Mahogany Writing desk.

10th November 1896.

John Gobin, Clerk to Town Comrs

The following was read

3153/96

Office of Public Works

Dublin, 31st October 1896.

Circular

Sir

I am directed by the Commissioners of public Works to state for the information of your Board that that the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury have had under Consideration the question of repayments by local Bodies of their loans from the State in anticipation of the dates fixed in the Mortgage Deeds and they have decided that the following Conditions shall apply to such anticipatory repayments:—

(1) That the applicants serve the lending department with three months notice.

(2)

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(2) That they agree to repay at such times and in such instalments as may be required by the lending Department

(3) That for every £100 outstanding on the loan account the applicants should repay as may be Certified to be the equivalent of the price at which £100 of local Loan stock Can be purchased seven days before the expiration of the three months' notice

Exemptions from these Conditions are restricted to Cases where the local authorities before the 18th January, 1896, had Committed themselves to new arrangements for the discharge of their loans from which they Cannot recede without rendering themselves liable to pay Compensation for the breach of such arrange-
-ments.

I am
Sir
Your obedient Servant
P. J. Touhy.
Secretary.

The Town Clerk, New Ross.

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November 18th Meeting of the Town Commissioners and
Street Committee held this day after 7½
PM to transact business pursuant
to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854

David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Matthew Hutchinson
Patrick Kennedy
Edward McKeela
Matthew I. Finn

Cheques were issued for the following amounts —

1413 Weekly Bill — £4. 0. 0
1414 Matthew Cullen — Repairs to State
& Roof & Flooring and Lighting — 1. 8. 6
1415. Myers — Cullen and Gethin and on
account of Rice for Law Costs — 75. 0. 0
1416. Cashier Bank of Ireland for
Dr Irish Land Commission Rent Charge — 18. 0. 6

Street Inspectors Report — After the
Fire Engine stopped working I went to
look after the water buckets and I found
4th time Not Set all. On this Morning I went up to the
Yard in Michael street and I got them all
only one bucket is Gone

I got the ear shots of the Labourers
dwellings in Church Lane bowling Green
and William street Cleaned on this week
by Cahill.

There are four heaps of manure finished
11th time in the Commissioners' Yard

Ordered — That Messrs — P. Kennedy, & M. Hutchinson
See John Rough about the proposed protection
for the lower Irishtown Pump.

In reference to repairs required on the Roof of
the Fish house
Ordered that the matter be referred the
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Committee to direct as to the work to be done thereat

Ordered – That the Clerk write to Messrs Ludlow Brothers Birmingham asking them the price for which they will supply a Water Tank on Wheels – about four feet long, two feet wide and 2½ feet deep, to hold from 100 to 120 Gallons of water – Take used with a fire Engine.

Auditors Report

New Rip 12th November 1896.

Sir,

I have the to report for the information of the Local Government Board that I have audited the accounts of the New Rip Town Commissioners for the year ended 31st December ~~1896~~ last, and I forward herewith an Abstract thereof shewing the Receipts and expenditure for the period mentioned.

The Borough Rate struck at one shilling in the pound produced £385-1-5 but the Collection of same was not closed before the 31st December, Consequently portion of it will appear in the accounts of the Current Year; I have frequently drawn attention to the inconvenience and Confusion caused by reason of the Collection not being closed in proper time, and I trust the Town Commissioners will give directions to have all Collections Closed before the 31st December

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Local Government (Ireland) Act 34 & 35
New Rop Town Commissioners for the
and Expenditure under the several heads

Receipts.

	Nature of Receipts.			Amount.		
1895						
December 31	To Corporate Rents —	Yearly Tenants £179.17.4				
		Labourers Dwelling 133.10.1				
		Old Weekly Tenants 29.11.0		342	18	5
	" Borough Rate —			349	12	6
	" Pipe Water Rent —			43	10	10
	" Petty Sessions Fines —			19	7	11
	" Contribution from Government in aid of Sanitary					
	" Officers Salaries —			13	17	6
	" do do in lieu of Rates —				12	0
	" Dog Tax —			15	9	9
	" Sales of Manure —			64	18	6
	" Hire of Town Hall			1	15	0
	" County Presentments for streets —			408	1	0
	" Miscellaneous —				6	0
			£	1260	10	5

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Vic. Cap 109. Abstract of the Accounts of the

Year ended 31st December 1895 showing the Receipts during that period.

Expenditure.

	Nature of Expenditure.	Amount.		
1894 December 31st	By Balance due to Treasurer	77	9	1
1895 December 31st	" Town Clerks Salary	75	0	0
	" Cleaning Streets	155	14	7
	" Street Contracts	209	5	6
	" Pipe Water Services	25	18	4
	" Wages	41	12	0
	" Rents, Taxes and Insurance	49	16	2
	" Labourers Dwellings	14	6	5
	" Proposed New Labourers Dwellings	30	0	0
	" Public Lamps	121	16	1
	" Light and Fuel of Tholsel	4	17	11
	" Board of Public Works, Interest and Instalment of Loan	115	19	6
	" Audit of Accounts	4	15	0
	" Collectors Poundage	19	7	2
	" Printing Books & Stationary	39	14	7
	" Repairs of House property and Town Hall	8	4	6
	" Town Clock	5	0	0
	" Miscellaneous		7	3
	Sanitary Expenditure			
	Water Supply	11	17	4
	Salaries and Wages	59	15	0
	Sewerage	22	12	6
	Sanitary Precaution	5	7	11
	" Balance due by Treasurer	161	8	7
	£	1260	10	5

I Certify the foregoing to be a true Abstract of the Receipts and Expenditure of the New Ross Town Commissioners for the Year ended 31st December 1895

Dated this 12th day of November 1896.

Courtney Croker Auditor.

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December in each Year, with this View the Rate might be struck earlier in the Year than at present.

It is very desirable that all Weekly Tenants should be required to give Security for the payment of the rents of Cottages; a Considerable sum has been lost in Consequence of tenants leaving without paying their rents; I understand that some of the tenants have given Security, but I would suggest that all of them now in occupation should be Compelled to give proper Security; the arrears due by tenants out of Occupation appear to be irrecoverable and they might be struck off.

I observe in the Tenants Rental some of them are heavily in arrear, Notably Thomas Thorpe, Who owes two years rent amounting to £96.; this ~~is~~ tenant exhibits no desire to reduce his arrears, and having regard to the Town Commissioners as Trustees for the Public I Consider that they should at once instruct their Solicitor to take the necessary steps to Recover the amount or to obtain possession of the premises held by W. Thorpe; the arrears on this Rental are increasing. They amounted to £220-13-5 on 31st December 1894, and a year later, the amount due was £294-5-10.

As usual there has been great delay in preparing the accounts for Audit; I have been

been in Correspondence with the Town Clerk for months past on the subject but the accounts were not prepared for audit until about a week ago; if the Town Commissioners would insist on the Ledger being written up and presented to them at each meeting, there would be no difficulty in Closing the accounts immediately after the 31st December in each year.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient Servant
Courtenay Croker

The
Secretary
Local Government Board
Dublin.

Ordered — That the Clerk frame the present Years Accounts Closed against the 1st January 1897, and after that date, have the Accounts posted weekly and submitted

Ordered — That the Collector frame a statement of the rents due to the Town Commissioners to be submitted at next meeting.

The following was read.

Offices New Ross. 17th November 1896.

Dear Sir,

We beg to enclose Original Lease dated 25th March 1838 — Sovereign and Burgesses of Ross to Geo Payne and Original lease dated 29th June 1840 — Same

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Same to Same being the leases of Mr Thorp's premises of Whiak Kinsley acknowledge receipt.

May We trouble You to ask the Commissioners to draw us a Cheque for our taxed Costs £144-10-5 the Certificate of taxation of which we sent You on the 1st April last.

Yours very truly
Colfer & Gethin

John Robin
Town Clerk

Ordered — That Messrs — Colfer & Gethin be paid £75 — on account of his Claim.

Ordered — That the Clerk write to Fitzsimon and Son asking them to try and dispose of Sweeping Machine and Mud Cart.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 25th November 1896.

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Wednesday 25th November. A meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7½ o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 — Also — "To appoint the Town Commissioners part of the Education Committee — To Consider a Communication respecting the Report of the Financial Commission received from the Wexford Board of Guardians." Members present — Messrs —

David Murphy, Chairman, in the Chair
Patrick Kennedy
Peter Byrne
Edward McKella
Henry G. Hinson

Kelly Bill amounted to — £

The following was read

Wexford Union, Wexford
7th November 1896.

To the Chairman of
New Ros Town Commissioners.

Sir,

At a Meeting of the Wexford Board of Guardians held on the 14th inst. and Specially Convened to Consider the Report of the Royal Commission on the financial Relations between Great Britain and Ireland, it was Resolved That as the Report was of such Vital interest to the future Welfare of Ireland, the people of this Country should be given an

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an opportunity to attend a public meeting in order to demonstrate to the Government that all classes of Irishmen demand the recommendations contained in the Report should be acted upon without delay. It was suggested that each public Board in the County should Convene a Special Meeting of its Members & Consider the subject and pass a Resolution thereon; It was ~~subjected~~ suggested that the County should be divided into districts Composed of the several representatives public bodies within its area and that each district should invite its residents to take part in this Movement and to appoint one or more delegates to attend on its behalf a Central Committee meeting to be Convened at a future date. Should the Members of your Board be willing to take action with us in this Matter We shall be obliged by Your letting us hear from You on the subject at Your earliest Convenience.

Your Obedient Servants

James Codd, Chairman
C. H. Peacocke
James Hore
James O'Connor, Hon. Sec.

} Committee acting on behalf of the Wexford Board of Guardians

Ordered — That the Consideration of the Communication

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Communication be adjourned to next meeting the members the noticed to attend to Consider same.

In reference to Suggestions in the Auditors Report—

Proposed by Mr Hinson
Seconded by Mr Byrne

That the Weekly Tenants in occupation who have not signed Bonds of security for the payment of their rents be required to sign Bonds with securities for the payment of the rent in the ~~manner~~ form. Passed.

~~Order~~ The Collector submitted a Statement of the Corporate Rents due to the Town Commissioners — The Yearly Rents due amounted to £335. 17. 8
Mr R Thorpe appeared to owe two years rent £96. 0. 0

Ordered — That the Clerk inform Mr Thorpe of the Auditors report, and that he be required to pay a half Years Rent on or before the 1st January 1897, and another half years rent on or before the 25th March 1897, and if not, that the Commissioners will be Compelled to Comply with the Auditors recommendation — To give the Case into the hands of their Solicitor to Recover the Rent or the possession of the premises.

Ordered - That the Collectors attention be called

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Called to the Auditors Report on the Collection of Rents.

Proposed by Mr Kennedy
Seconded by Mr Hinson —

That for the Convenience of the professional and mercantile Classes of New Ross and district, We respectfully request that a Mail be sent from New Ross to Dublin by first morning train and a return Mail sent from Dublin to New Ross by the Train leaving at 3 P.M. - Letters Coming by this Rout Could be delivered same evening together with the Wexford letters at present arriving by same train (but which are not delivered until the following morning) as also, the Waterford letters Coming by evening steamer

The above arrangement if Carried out would Consider greatly facilitate the business of New Ross and district. Passed unanimously

Ordered — That a Copy be sent to the Secretary of the General Post-Office.

In reference to the Communication received from the Secretaries of the Commi-
-ssioners of National Education read at meeting held on the 11th Instant —
Proposed by Mr Kennedy
Seconded by Mr Hinson — That the
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following Gentlemen be appointed to represent the Town Commissioners on the School Attendance Committee —

The Very Rev. Canon Michael Kavanagh, D.D. P.P. & V.F. new Rep
The Rev. Canon Francis Le Hunte, Protestant Vicar, new Rep
David Murphy Chairman Town Comm^rs new Rep
Edward McKella J.P. new Rep.
The Rev. Walter Roxiter C.C. new Rep
Raised unanimously.

The following Proposals for manure were read.

Mary Anne Whitney, Creacon for 2 heaps @ 22/6 per heap
John Cheevers, Shallows park 2 heaps @ 22/6
Edward Browne Annestown 2 heaps @ 22/6
Patrick Kelly Cambin 2 heaps @ 22/6
Bryan Kennedy new Rep 2 heaps @ 22/6

Ordered — That Miss Whitneys Tender be accepted for two heaps @ 22/6 per heap
Two
Ordered That Edward Brownes proposal be accepted for one heap @ 22/6 per heap
one
Ordered — that John Cheevers proposal be accepted for one heap @ 22/6
one
Ordered — that Patrick Kellys proposal be accepted for one heap at 22/6
one
Mr Kennedys proposal was not accepted being deemed too low.
not low

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 2nd December 1896

1896 — ~~Thursday 28th November — A meeting~~

December 2nd Wednesday 2nd December — A meeting of the Town Commissioners acting as the new Rop Urban Sanitary Authority held this day at 7½ o'clock P. M. to transact business pursuant to the ~~Public Health~~ (Ireland) Act 1878.

Members present — Messrs —

David Murphy Chairman, in the Chair
Patrick Kennedy
Matthew Hutchinson
Peter J. Byrne
Matthew J. Finn,
Peter Murphy
Henry G. Hinson

Cheques were issued for the following amounts —

Sanitary Weekly Bill	£0.14.0
M. Maddock an ap of Contract, Sinking Pump	3.15.0

Sanitary Sub Officers Report — Learned on Michan with a Sanitary notice for the Back Yard of house occupied by John McSweeney at the Hill school where a Nuisance is Caused by a drain of sewage water leading from French's Court through the yard down to Brennans Lane & South street. Joseph Deane is the landlord.

I visited the back yards of houses on High Hill. Found the yards Clean, Manure removed No of houses visited — Twelve.

I visited the back Yards of houses in Chapel Lane and found the Manure removed from the Yards only in back yard of house occupied by Mrs Fitzharris and she promised to have

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have the manure removed next week.
Number of Yards Visited Twenty Two

There is no Work done in the back Yards of Houses Occupied by Michael Cavel Catherine Browne, and Patrick Murphy in Mary Street Where a Nuisance is Caused for want of proper outlet to the main Sewer in Street, as Notices have been Served on the Landlord, and also for ~~the~~ back Yard of house occupied by Patrick Carty in Mary Street as Notices have been Served on the Landlord Col. Tattenham for a Nuisance in Yard for want of proper outlet to the main Sewer in the Street.

I Visited the back Yards of the Labourers dwellings in William Street, Church Lane Fair Gate and Bowling Green on this day. I found the Stench Traps Clean. Also the Yards Clean.

Took the depth of the pump at the Three Bullet Gate on this evening and it is Forty Nine feet deep at the present time (2nd December).

A note was read from M. Maddock asking for the amount due to him for Sinking the Pump Well at Three Bullet Gate.

Ordered - That M. Maddock be paid £3.15.0 — £2.0.0, due before last agreement, of £1.15.0 on ac of the new price

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~~of £1.15.0. per foot.~~

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December 2nd Meeting of the Town Commissioners and
~~Street Committee~~ held this day after 7½
Oclock PM ~~to~~ transact business pursuant
to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Also — "To Consider a Communication
from the Wexford Board of Guardians
respecting the Report from the Financial
Commission and a County Meeting to
be held in reference thereto."

Present — Mess^rs —
David Murphy, Chairman in the Chair
Patrick Kennedy
Matthew Hutchinson
Peter J Byrne
Matthew J Finn
Peter Murphy
Henry G. Hinson.

The Weekly Bill amounts to £4.4.0

The Clerk submitted the Deed of Assignment
of the piece of Ground at North side of
Irishtown adjoining the Town Commissioners
property, now occupied by Mr Galavan
The piece of Ground Assigned had been
held by the Banks Family under Col
Tottenham. It was signed by different
members of the Banks Family. The

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Deed was received from Messrs Colfer and Lyethun 30th November 1896.

The Members present signed the Deed and the Clerk was directed to get the Names of the absent Members attached.

The Clerk reported that Michael Hickey and Bryan Kennedy had Ceased to be Commissioners — Michael Hickey not having attended a meeting since the 6th May 1896. and Bryan Kennedy not having attended since his election, 28th May 1896.

Ordered — That this Meeting be adjourned to Friday 4th December 1896, to transact business and to elect a Member in place of Michael Hickey disqualified by non attendance

Ordered — That the Members be noticed to attend the meeting to be held on the 4th December 1896 To elect a Commissioner in place of Bryan Kennedy, disqualified by non attendance.

In reference to the Communication received from the Wexford Board of Guardians respecting the Report from the Financial Commission on the over Taxation of Ireland read at Meeting held on the 25th ultimo.

Proposed by Mr Hinson Seconded by Mr Kennedy — That this ~~Meeting~~ Body is in accord with the Wexford Board of Guardians on the subject of the Report of the Royal Commission on

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on the Financial Relations between Great Britain and Ireland and will take part in the expression of Public opinion in this County on the subject.

Passed unanimously

A circular was received from Vincent Griffiths, Treasury London, enclosing a form to be filled in order to receive a sum in Lieu of Rates on Government property within the Borough.

Ordered - That the Form be filled and returned as desired.

The Meeting was adjourned to ~~Wednesday~~ Friday 4th December 1896.

1896 — Friday 4th December. An adjourned meeting
December 4th of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day at 7 o'clock PM to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 — Also — To elect a Commissioner in place of Michael Hickey who has ceased to act
Members present — Messrs —
~~D~~ David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Patrick Kennedy
Edward Miskella
Matthew Hutchinson
Peter J Byrne Henry G. Hinson
Peter Murphy

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Proposed by W Kennedy
Seconded by W Miskella -

That W Samuel
W Keogh, Esq. be elected a Town Commissioner in place of Michael Hickey, Mary St. who has ceased to be a Commissioner by reason of non attendance during the past six months.

Carried Unanimously

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 9th December 1896.

1896 — Monday 7th December ~~29~~ Monthly Meeting
December 7th day. No attendance of Members.
The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday
9th December 1896.

1896 — December 9th — Wednesday 9th December — A Meeting of the Town Commissioners acting as the New Ross Urban Sanitary Authority held this day at 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Public Health (Ireland) Act 1878. Present — Messrs —
David Murphy Chairman, in the Chair
Patrick Kennedy
Matthew Hutchinson
Peter J Byrne
Edward Miskella
Henry G. Hinson
The Sanitary Meeting Bill amounted to £0. 13. 0

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1896 — Wednesday 9th December — A Weekly and an Adjourned Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and ~~of the Court~~ Committee held this day after ½ o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 — Also — To elect a Commissioner in place of Bryan Hennessy who has ceased to Act — To Consider plans &c of the Railway extension from Rosbercon.

Present — Mess^rs —

David Murphy Chairman in the Chair

Patrick Kennedy

Matthew Hutchinson

Peter J Byrne

Edward Mikella

Henry G. Hinson

The Weekly Bill Amounted to £ 4. 9. 0

Mr M^c Grath Collector was before the Meeting respecting the Borough Rate due on the House in the old Corn Market And new Cullen is the person rates but he declines to pay the Rate, on the grounds that the house is on Church property and ought to be exempt

After examination of the Circumstances of the Case the Members Could not see their way to have the house exempted from Rate and directed that the Collector should sue for the rate until the revising Valuator writes

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writes it "esemp" on the Rate Book.

The following was read

Drishtown New Rop December 7th 1896

To the Chairman and Members of the New Rop Local Commissioners.

Gentlemen

Your rent Collector Wm McGrath Called on me a few days since for the rent of the premises I hold here. I must tell you I am very Scarce in money, and unless I get the liquor Licence I dont Know what to do. I am of opinion your influence can get it for me. If not I must shortly give up. I hope you will do your best ~~for~~ for me. I am now six years trying to live here, I may say on my money. So I hope you will Consider my Case

I will now make you the best offer in my power. I will pay you one years Rent at present if you give me a Clear receipt for all is due and a reduction in my present rent, for the place is too highly rented according to the times or if you think well of taking the premises on your own hands I will be satisfied to recompence me for my improvements and the fine I paid in Coming in here which is about £180. I will be satisfied as I can see no other prospects for me

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me. Please give me an answer
as soon as Convenient and oblige
Yours Respectfully
Mrs Edward Galavan

Ordered — That Mrs Galavan be
required to pay a years rent by her
holdding — £10.10.0 for the present
and the arrears afterwards — that she
be informed that as the Licence
for the premises was lost through her
Her own fault, and thereby lessened
the value of the premises — the Commi
-ssioners Cannot take that Circumstance
into Consideration in her favour. that
the Commissioners will allow Mrs
Galavan to sell her interest in the
premises to a respectable tenant who
will be acceptable to the Commissioners

In reference to obstructions allowed to
remain unnecessarily long in the streets
for the repairing of Houses. The street
Inspector was Called before the meeting
and instances were mentioned to him of
obstructions that had been allowed to remain
in the streets — A ladder in South Street
place to a house — and fixtures in Marsh Lane
which had been allowed to remain for
too long a time without any work
being done and thereby caused unnecessary

obstruction to the public
The Inspector was called before the meeting and the Causes of Complaints explained to him.

Ordered – That that in future the District Inspector see that no street or footpath be allowed to be obstructed by fextures for building or repairing of houses for an unreasonable length of time That Where fextures are placed for building or repairing of houses – that he will see that the work is Carried on without avoidable delay, until the work is finished

Ordered – That the Collector submit a Monthly return of the yearly rents due at the time.

~~The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 16th December 96.~~

The following was read.

Registered No 469,908
Any reply should bear this Number and should be addressed "The Secretary General Post Office

General Post Office. London
4th December 1896

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 2nd instant, which shall receive attention.

I am, Sir
Your obedient Servant
S. Walpole
Secretary

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The following was read

Swatstown New Rop, 7th December 1896

To the Chairman and members of the New Rop

Town Commissioners

Gentlemen

Your rent Collector W McGrath Called on me a few days since for the rent of the premises I hold here. I must tell you I am very scarce in money and unless I get the liquor license I dont know what to do. I am of opinion your influence can get it for me. If not I must shortly give up. I hope you will do your best for me. I am now near six years trying to live here I may say on my money. So I hope you will consider my case.

I will now make you the best offer in my power. I will pay you one years rent at present if you give me a clear receipt for all is due and a reduction in my present rent, for the place is too highly rented according to the times or if you think well of taking the premises on your own hands I will be satisfied to recompense me for my improvements and the fine I paid in coming in here which is about £185 I will be satisfied, as I can see no other prospect for me. Please give me an answer as soon as convenient and oblige

Yours

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Mrs respectfully
Mr Owen Edward Galavan

Ordered - That Walpelavan be required to pay a years rent of her holding £10.10.0, for the present and the arrears afterwards. That she be informed that as the License for the premises was lost through her own fault and thereby, lessened the value of the premises, the Commissioners cannot take that into Circumstance into Consideration in her favour. That the Commissioners will allow Mrs Galavan to sell her interest in the premises to a respectable tenant who will be accepted by the Town Commissioners

Lawrence Finn bark 420

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Wednesday 16th December - Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Committee held this day after 7½ Oclock PM to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Also - To elect a Commissioner in place of Bryan Hennessy who has ceased to act, Present - Messrs -

Patrick Kennedy in the Chair
John Butler
James Dowling
Peter J. Byrne
Patrick Hunt
Henry G. Hendon

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William Murphy
John Meehan (took the Councrs Declaration

The Mackey Bill amounted to £4. 6. 0

In reference to Complaints made of boxes, piled goods placed on the streets and footpaths in such quantity and manner as to be an obstruction or danger to the residents and public

Ordered — That the Street Inspector take the necessary steps, as prescribed under sub sections 12 & 13 — of Section 72 of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, to prevent the streets or footpaths from being obstructed by boxes Cases &c & other matters so placed as to be an obstruction within the meaning of the Act.

Streets & Footpaths Obstructions

Manure yard

A Cullens proposal

A letter dated 16th December 1896 was read from Andrew Cullen — saying — As I understand that Mr Keogh Irane Completed repairs, I now propose to become tenant again ~~of~~ of portion of the Millrank Lane yard on same terms as heretofore. Please let me know if accepted.

A Cullens proposal accepted.

Ordered — That Andrew Cullens proposal for the part of the Manure yard which he had

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previously occupied at right hand side of Gate he accepted on the former terms agreed on 2½ per Cent &c

The following was read

~~South Shore~~ New Ross, December 16th 1896

To the Chairman and Gentlemen of the New Ross Town Commissioners

Collectors Application for increase of Poundage

Gentlemen,

I beg to apply to your body for an increase of Commission from 2½ to 5 per Cent. The present Commission is not adequate for the amount of work to be done. Less than 5 per Cent would not pay.

In moving for the advance I wish to bring under notice of the Commissioners a few facts relative to the manner in which I have worked during my time.

It is now about six years since I got into the position of Collector. At that time the weekly Tenants sheet showed a balance of from £20 to £24, and now it is reduced to £8 or £9. I also suggested to the Commissioners the advisability of getting security from the Tenants. This plan they adopted and and found it to give great satisfaction, both for the protection of their property and payment of rents. I also believe I have given satisfaction in my other Collections and have only to add that the Remuneration I get for doing the work is not sufficient for amount of work to be done. Thanking you

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I am Gentlemen
Yours faithfully
Maurice McGrath.

Collectors Application adjourned to next Meeting

Ordered — That the Consideration of the Collectors application be deferred to next Meeting the members to be notified to attend to Consider same.

Large Room Clerks Report.

Clerks Report — On the 10th November last an Auction of property was held in the Large Room, Ihelieve by Mr Walsh Auctioneer, Wexford. There was no application made at the Commissioners office for the Quay. No rent received for the Auction. I heard nothing of the Auction until all was over for some time. On the 12th November I heard that two Auctions took place in the Large Room. No application made to the Office for the use of the Room.

I believe the Room was open after the Harbour Commissioners had been held there. I was engaged with the Auditor on that day, and Knew nothing about the matter.

On Friday 4th I saw an Advertisement of an Auction to be held in the Theatre on the 5th Instant and I applied for and got the Key from the Dramatic Club expecting

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respecting an Application would be ~~meeting~~ made for the Keys as usual

No application receiving for the Key or use of the room. The Auction was held in the Tenant Right Reading room.

On the 11th Inst I heard the bell man announce an Action to be held in the Shed of some house property.

No application for the use of the Room. The Auction was held in the Tenant Right reading room.

Clerks Report Large Room

Ordered — That in future the Key of the Large Room be Kept in the Comrs Office and that no Auction be allowed to take place there, without first depositing the usual fee or rent with the Collector or Clerk, for the use of the room.

Key to be Kept in Office

No Auction to be held until Room Paid for

That the Dramatic Club hand the Key at 10 Oclock each day to the Clerk their representative to receive it back at the evening when they require the use of the Room.

That the Clerk be directed to write to Mr Walsh Auctioneer Wexford for the usual rent of 10/- for the use of the room for the Auction held by him on the 10th Instant last.

Tenant Right Reading Room not to allow Auctions

That the Hon. Secretary of the Tenant Right Reading Room be required not to permit public Auctions to be held in that Room.

A notice was received from, Baker Lees and

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Fishguard Railway and Harbours

and Postlethwaite, 22 Great George Street Westminster London, dated 5th Decemb 1896 — addressed to the Mayor Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of New Ros (by John Lobin) Clerk, New Ros, Waterford informing that application is intended to be made to Parliament in the ensuing Session for an Act under the name and title of the "Fishguard and Rosslare Railways and Harbours" and that amongst other things it is proposed to empower the Fishguard and Rosslare Railways and and Harbour Company to Construct Certain Railways extending from their existing line between Rosslare and Wexford to the City of Waterford, and the property mentioned in the annexed Schedule or some part thereof in which we understand you are interested as therein stated will be required for the purposes of the said undertaking or work according to the line thereof as shown upon the plans deposited as hereinafter mentioned, or may be required to be taken under the Powers of Deviation on either side of the Railways which will be applied for in the said Act or may be required to be taken for other purposes.

We also beg to inform you that plans and sections relating to the proposed purposes of the intended Act with a

book

Book of Reference to these plans.
were, on or before the 20th November
last deposited for public inspection
with the Clerk of the Peace for the County
of Wexford at his Office at Wexford, with
Fishguard the Clerk of the Peace for the County of Kilkenny
Railway at his Office at Kilkenny, with the Clerk
of the Peace for the County of Waterford
at his Office at Waterford, and with
the Clerk of the Peace for the County of the
City of Waterford at his Office at Waterford,
and that on or before the same day
copies of so much of the said plans
sections and Book of Reference as relates
to the Parish in which your property
is situate were also deposited for
public inspection with the Clerk of the
Union in which such parish is situate
at his residence, ~~or such other~~ on which
Plans your property is designated by
the numbers set forth in the annexed
Schedule.

As We are required to Report to
Parliament whether Your assent to or
dissent from the proposed Undertaking
or Whether Your are neuter in respect
of the same, Your will oblige us by
writing Your answer of assent dissent
or neutrality in the form left
herewith and returning the same to
us with Your signature, On or before
the 20th day of December instant; and if there
should

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Should be any error or misdescription in the annexed Shedule, We shall feel obliged by Your informing us thereof at Your earliest Fishguard Railway Convenience, that We may Correct the same without delay

Note — On the back of this Notice You will find Copies of the Standing Orders of both Houses of Parliament which regulate the time and mode of presenting Petitions in opposition to Bills.

The Schedule heading were as follows County, Parish and Townland, or Extra Parochial Place. — The filling is — Extra Parochial place known as the bed and foreshore of the River Barrow in the County of Kilkenny (?)

No on Plan — 1.

Description — Bed and foreshore of the river Barrow.

Owner — Yourselves and others.

Fishguard Railway Adjourned to 6th January

Ordered — That the Consideration of the Petition of this Notice be adjourned to Wednesday 6th January 1897

A Circular and Copies of Resolutions passed by the Sligo Corporation, at a duly Convened Meeting, in Reference to the Report of the Financial Commission respecting the unjust Taxation imposed on Ireland by the Act of Union and the increase of Taxation imposed on Ireland in 1853 and 1860, which was not justified by the

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the Circumstances then existing — That whilest the actual tax revenue of Ireland is about one eleventh of that of Great Britain the relative taxable Capacity has been ascertained to be not greater than one twentieth and may be much less.

Also — Suggesting to Public men and Public bodies in Ireland the advisability of establishing a non-sectarian and non-political organisation in this Country with the view of devising, Controlling and directing the best methods available for inducing Her Majesty's Government so to readjust the incidence of Taxation in this Country and the Financial Relations between Great Britain and Ireland as to secure the earliest possible relief of Ireland from the inequitable burden of Taxation which it has been ascertained she bears under existing arrangements.

As a previous Resolution had been passed on this subject there was no order made.

Memorial Fermoy Town Councils

A Copy of a Memorial was received from the Town Clerk of Fermoy as follows which had been adopted unanimously ~~adopted~~ by the Fermoy Town Commissioners as follows —

To the Most Honourable

The Marquis of Lansdown, K.G. G.C. S.I. G.C.M.G. G.C.I.E.

Her Majesty's Secretary of State for War.

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Fermoy T Comrs
Memorial to
Marquis of Lansdown
against foreign meat
for use of troops.

The Memorial of the Town Commissioners of Fermoy, the Land owners, Farmers and Traders of the District
Humbly Sheweth..

That We have heard with much Surprise and deep regret that Your Lordship has again sanctioned the issue of foreign frozen Meat for the use of the Troops serving in this Country, thereby causing great hardship to all of Us, and We pray that Your Lordship will Consider the advisability of introducing forthwith. like meat Contracts throughout Ireland, for the supply of the Military forces of the Crown.

We also beg to bring to your Lodships notice the manner in which Supplies for Canteens of the several Regiments in this district are obtained. By the System now in use, this Trade is almost entirely in the hands of a favoured few, and Memorialists therefore pray that Your Lordship will not allow this to Continue, for it places the benefits of such trade at the option of large Firms, instead of allowing all Traders a fair opportunity of tendering for the supply of the Goods which they respectively trade in.

Your Memorialists finally pray that these Matters may receive Your Lordships Sympathetic Consideration, well Knowing that Your intimate Knowledge of this Country, by birth and practical experience, will be greatly

In

in their favour

Memorial Adopted

Ordered – That the Memorial be adopted.

Shed Manure yard Fire Engine

A specification of work to be done in fixing part of the shed in the manure yard for holding the Fire Engine was received from P. Lacey and also a proposal for doing the work for the Sum of £10.5.0.

Not proceeded with

It was deemed advisable not to proceed with the work and the proposal was not accepted.

Fire Engine Tank for & to be provided

The replies respecting the Tank for the Fire Engine ~~Wood~~ received from Ludlow Brothers Birmingham and from Davies Brothers and Co. limited Crown Works, Wolverhampton were Considered, after which it was agreed – That the Tank 4.0" x 2.0" x 2.6" – Open Top – fluted plates – Price £4.0.3 be ordered, from Davies Brothers & Co Limited, Crown Work, Wolverhampton. The Tank to hold 125 Gallons

Adjourned to meeting 18th Inst

In reference to having applications made at next presenting Sessions for flagging footpaths, and the election of a Commissioner in place of B. Hennessy who has ceased to act, it was Considered desirable to adjourn the meeting to Friday 18th " the Members to be noticed to attend to Consider the Subjects

Election of a Comr in place of B Hennessy Adjourned

The Meeting was adjourned to Friday 18th December 1896.

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An adjourned

Friday 18th December — A meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee to be held this day at ½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. — Also — "To Elect a Commissioner in place of B. Kennedy, who has ceased to act — To Consider applications to be made for Street Contracts &c. Present — Messrs —

Patrick Kennedy
John Meehan
Peter I. Byrne
David Murphy, Chairman

St Contracts

Whilst waiting for a quorum the members

Applications

Conversed on the applications to be

for

made to the next presenting Sessions.

flagging Mc St. 7 Path

The Clerk went for Mr I. Byrne to advise in the preparation of Applications for flagging the South side of Michael Street, and on return ~~stated that Mr Byrne was ill and Could not~~ attend.

It was agreed that the services of Mr James Connolly be engaged next day, Saturday, at 12 o'clock with Messrs — I. Meehan and P. Kennedy to inspect and measure the South side of Michael Street with the view that applications be made for flagging the South side footpath from Robert Street to Neill Street with Shanakill flags.

Footpaths South side of Michael St

I Cadwolly appointed to measure and report

A Quorum not having assembled the meeting was adjourned to 8½ Oclock P.M. Monday 21st December 1896

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Monday 21st December An Adjourned meeting of the Town Commissioners and ~~Street~~ Committee held this day at 8½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 — Also — "To elect a Commissioner in place of Bryan Hennessy who had Ceased to act — To Consider on Applications for street Contracts."

Members present — Mayor —
David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Peter Murphy
Henry G. Hinson
Patrick Kennedy
Peter L Byrne
Edward McKella

W St. J. Path

It appeared that on Saturday Mr ~~Kennedy~~ Kennedy with James Connolly and the Clerk ment over the footpath at South side of Michael street when it was arranged that J. Connolly measure the length and different breaths of the footpath from Robert street ~~and~~ to Seville Street on Monday and prepare lengths of the footpath — the Cost of each length not to exceed or be under £50 and Submit same to the meeting to be held on the 21st Inst for approval at a remuneration of 10/-.

Mr St J Path & Connollys Calculations

Mr Connollys Calculations of the Cost of the three portions of the streets were — £47.10.6 £46-8-5 and £55-17-3 Making a total of

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of £149. 16. 8. As the Application Could not be made for the £65-17. 3 part it was found that making an average for the three applications would leave each about £49-18-8, each, it was agreed that J. Connolly take different points so that the three applications Could be sent in for less than £50. each. The Clerk to fill the applications Signed by Kinsella and St Inspector

W. St 7 Path

In reference to the lining of the upper part of the pump well at Three Bullet Gate, it was agreed that Mr Kennedy have an interview with William Carty who had done the work of the two Irishtown pumps and the Ballaun pump, to ascertain the particulars of the Cost of material and workmanship required for lining the pump well.— the work to be 18 inches Masonry, and 18 inches at back with Concrete.

Financial Relations
Letter from Wexford

The following was read

Brookville Wexford 19th December 1896

Dear Sir,

A Meeting of the Financial Relations Committee will be held in the Town Hall Wexford on Wednesday at 11 Oclock A. M. When arangements will be made, regarding the forthcoming Public Meeting.

As I have the names of any representatives

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Representatives from Your Board I will thank you to give notice of the Meeting to them

Yours Faithfully
James O'Connor

John Lohier
Town Clerk New Rop.

Financial Relations Clerk to write in reply

Ordered — That the Clerk write stating that the Commissioners here will sanction any Resolutions that may be agreed on and will participate in their public adoption.

That the Lateness of the Notice, found the Commissioners, from business arrangements, unable to be present at the meeting as a meeting of the Harbour Commissioners will be held on Wednesday at 11 Oclock.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 23rd December 1896.

1896 December 23rd — Wednesday 23rd December — A meeting of the Town Commissioners ~~and that~~ Committee held this day after 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns ~~Commissioners~~ Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Also — To elect a Commissioner in place of B Hennessy who has ceased to act. — To Consider an Application from the Collector for an increase in the poundage on his Collections.

Members present — Mayor —

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Present —

Patrick Kennedy in the Chair, and subsequently David Murphy, Chairman in the Chair.
Patrick Hunt
William Murphy
James Dowling
Matthew Hutchinson
Peter L Byrne

Cheques were issued for the following —

157 Weekly Bill £6.19.0

158 M. McGrath, Collector, amt. of a/c for Rumdage on Collections, as per Statement 6.11.11

The following was read.

To the Presiding Chairman, New Rds Local Commissioners.

Gentlemen,

R. J. Thorpe's Rent letter from him

I beg to state that I will pay one half years rent — 1st March 1897 and the 1st May, and another on the 1st September. Thanking you for your past indulgence.

I remain Gentlemen
Yours respectfully
R. J. Thorpe
The Island

December 23rd 1896.

R. J. Thorpe's Rent order — time asked by him for payment granted

Ordered — That the time for the payments asked for by R. J. Thorpe be agreed to and a Copy of his letter be given

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to the Collector; that if he does not keep his promise the Collector to report the matter to next meeting, after dates mentioned

No Candidate proposed for election as a Commissioner in place of Mr Hennessy.

Collectors Poundage

The Application from the Collector for an increase of Poundage on his Collections from 2½ to 5 per Cent was Considered The Applica is entered in page 246.

After due Consideration it was Proposed by Mr Kennedy Seconded by Mr Dowling That Mr

in Creased from 6d to 9d on all his Collections

Mr McGrath's Poundage be increased from 6 to 9 on all his Collection.

Passed Unanimously.

The following was read. from Walsh and Son Auctioneers Wexford — Saying — enclosed we Send P. O Order for 10/- for use of Room in Tholsel on 10th November.

Large Room letter Walsh & Son payment of Rent for Room

We will again require it on the 18th January, as You will see by enclosed advertisement.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 30th December 1896.

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Wednesday 30th December — A Weekly Meeting of the Lawns Commissioners and ~~Street~~ Committee held this day ~~after~~ ½ a Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Lawns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 — Present — Messrs — David Murphy, Chairman in the Chair
Patrick Kennedy
Peter L Byrne
Matthew Hutchinson
Matthew J Finn
Peter Murphy

160 The weekly Bill amounting to — £4. 9. 0
Joseph Freeman, ant of Contract for
repair, on the Chamber of Commerce Room £4 . 6 . 4

St Lawrence Report Weigh Bridge, tenders repairs on J. Walsh's house required

Street Inspector's Report — On this day a Sergeant Came from Enniscorthy with a Ton Weight of half Hundreds to test the Weighbridge. He had Sergeant Rourke along with him and Mr Latouch and he found the Weigh Bridge to be all right up to one Weight.

tiles on floor and door require repairs

The house occupied by John Walsh in Bowling Green labourer ~~Cottage~~ Dwelling, about Seven or eight tiles are broken in the Kitchen floor and require the rest. Also, the back door wants repairs and also a few Slates to be on Mrs Cullens house in Bowling Green to prevent the rain Coming down through the end Wall in Patrick Cannon's house

Mrs Cullens house requires some slates

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alongside

Drapers &c
Noticed not to Keep boxes & on street

I called on all the drapers and gave them notice not to be Keeping large boxes and piles of shop goods outside of their shop doors and windows to be Causing obstruction on the footpaths and danger to the street traffic

J Walsh
Fish dealer
Violating Bye Laws

John Walsh a fish dealer on the Bullaun had his Car load of fish in South street on this day (23rd Inst.). I Called on him to take his load of fish down to the Quay. He did not do so and stopped there for hours. I took his name & Serve him summoned to Court.

A boatload of Limestone & Coarse Gravel has been delivered for the Commissioners by Patrick Carroll on this day.

W Scanlan did not come to work

William Scanlan did not come to his work after ten oclock on Tuesday or Wednesday. He was told by his daughter that he was sick

Heap of Clay and stones near pump at John Bullet gate

There is a great heap of Clay and stones around the pump at John Bullet Gate that was taken out of the pump well It would be well to have some of it removed away to another place.

John Walsh to be summoned for Violating Market Bye Laws

Ordered — That the Street Inspector Summon John Walsh for not Complying with the Market Bye Laws and disobeying his directions in reference thereto.

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Hill school lighting &c
Clerk reports that
Mrs Burke Called
to the Offin respecting
lighting and other matters

The Clerk reported that Miss Burke
Annestown had Called to the Office, and
stated that the lighting and other matters
Connected with the approach to the
Concert Hall and Hill school required
some improvements respecting lighting
&c, which she believed the Town Comm
-issioners had the power to Cause to be
made. That a large and respectable
portion of the people of the Town and
neighbourhood frequent the Concert
Hall by night who would feel much
obliged if the much needed accommodation
would be provided.

Hill School —
Or^d that a
Committee be appointed
to inspect the place

Ordered — That Mess^rs — H. G. Hinden
& Mikella and the Chairman be
appointed to inspect the place and
receive suggestions from Miss Burke
and other ladies respecting improvements
of the approach to the Concert Hall and
School as to the lighting &c. The Comm-
-ittee to report thereon to a meeting of the
Commissioners

The Meeting was adjourned to Thursday 7th
January 1897 — Wednesday being a Holyday

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1897 — ~~Wednesday~~ Monday 4th January
January 4th — Monthly Meeting day. No attendance
of Members. The Meeting was adjourned
~~to~~ Thursday 7th January 1897. Wednesday
being a Holiday.

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January 7th — an adjourned Monthly Meeting of the
Town Commissioners and Street Comm-
-ittee held this day at 7h Oclock P.M.
~~to~~ transact business pursuant to the
Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act
1854 — Also - "To Consider a Communi-
-cation respecting the Fishguard and
Rosslare Railway Bill."

Members present — Messrs +
David Murphy, Chairman, in the Chair
Patrick Kennedy
Edward Miskella
Matthew S. Finn
Peter Murphy
Matthew Hutchinson
Henry G. Kinsom

Cheques were issued for the following amounts

		£
2	Weekly Bill — , — —	4.7.2
3	John Tobin Clerk quarters Salary due 7th Inst.	18.15.0
4	Zimber Brothers, Years Contract, winding and Keeping in the Town Clock in repair	5.0.0

The following was read.

School Committee — Education Act 1892.

Letter from National Board — Office of National Education, Dublin, 31st December 1896

Sir, — The Local Authority of New Ross having appointed

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School Attendance Committee appointed

appointed one half of the School Attendance Committee for the place, for the period of three years from the 1st January 1897, the Commissioners of National Education have under the powers Conferred upon them by the Act, 1892, decided that the remaining half shall Consist of the following persons, viz:

1 Very Rev. J. Holohan, P.P. V.F.
2 Rev. Wm F. Wilkinson
3 John Cheevers Esqr J.P.
4 James Rower Esqr
5 Bryan Hennessy Esqr

The Entire Committee will Consist accordingly of the following Members;—

By Whom Appointed	Name &c	Place of Residence	
By Local Authority	Very Rev. Mc. Kavanagh P. P. D. D. V. F.	South Street	New Ros
	Rev. Francis Le Hunte	Priory St.	"
	David Murphy Esq	Quay St.	"
	Edward Miskella Esqr	South St.	"
	Rev. Walter Rossiter	South St	"
By Commissioners of National Education	Very Rev. J. Holohan, P.P.	V. F. Rosbercon	New Ros
	Rev. Wm F. Wilkinson	South St.	"
	John Cheevers Esq J.P.	Shallows Park	"
	James Rower Esqr	South Street	"
	Bryan Hennessy Esqr	"	"

The Committee being thus now Complete,

the

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the Members should be summoned to meet on the 1st proximo, or as soon as possible after that date to carry on the operation of the Act.

We are Sir

Your obedient Servants

J. C. Taylor
M. S. Seymour
} Secretaries

To

John Tobin Esqr
Town Clerk
New Ross.

Clerk ordered to summon the Street Attendance Committee

Ordered — That the Clerk summon the School attendance Committee to meet, on the date deemed most convenient by the Very Rev Canon. M Kavanagh P.P. V.F. and the Rev F. Le Hunte, Protestant Vicar.

~~Street~~ Inspectors Report — I have to state that Patrick Reuden has delivered a boatload of St. Mullins Sand for the Commissioners on this week. I got it taken up to the shed in the yard.

Intemperance

Chairman submitted Papers from Irish Association

The Chairman submitted a Circular and other Papers received from the "Irish Association for the prevention of intemperance" the Presidents of the Association, appeared by the Circular & the their Graces — the Most Rev. Dr Alexander, the Most Rev Lord Rennet — Protestant Archbishops — their Graces the Most Rev. Dr Croke, the Most Rev. Dr Mc Evilly, Roman Catholic ~~Roman Catholic~~

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Archbishops. The letter from the Secretaries requested that a memorial to the Lord Lieutenant in favour of Sunday Closing and early Closing on Saturday night, be signed.

Ordered — That the Communication be marked "Read"

Hill School
Concert Hall
Committee agreed to inspect after Comrs Meeting and report thereon

In reference to the personal application by Bip Burke, considered at previous meeting, the Committee then appointed — Messrs — H. G. Hinson, E. Miskella and the Chairman agreed to inspect the passage ~~after~~ leading from South Street to Barrack Lane after the Conclusion of the Town Commissioners Meeting and report in reference thereto.

Michael St flagging

In reference to the three Applications for the flagging of the footpath at the South side of Michael Street, to be heard on Wednesday 13th January 1897.

Or that Mr Colfer attend Clonroche Presenting Sessions

Ordered — That Mr Colfer, our Solicitor be requested to attend Clonroche Presenting Road Sessions on Wednesday 13th January 1897, to advocate the passing of the three Applications made by the Clerk and Street Inspector for flagging of the footpath at South side of Michael St. numbered in the published

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list to be Considered at that Session
to 7, 8, 9.

Fishguard Railway

The Consideration of the Registered Notice from the promoters of the Fishguard and Rosslare Railways and Harbours Bill, adjourned from the 16th December last, was proceeded with.

The following post Card received with the Notice was ordered to be marked Dissenting, Signed by the Chairman and returned to Messrs — Baker Lees and Postlethwait —

Fishguard and Rosslare Railways.
December 1896.

The post Card received to be marked "read" by the Chairman

Gentlemen,

Fishguard Railway Copy of Post Card signed

I beg to acknowledge the receipt, on or before the 15th December 1896, of your application to me in reference to the above mentioned proposed undertaking, and request you will return me to Parliament — as as ⊕ in reference thereto.

your obedient Servant
David Murphy
Chairman
New Ross Town Comrs.

To Messrs Baker, Lees & Co Postlethwait
22 Great Geor Street
Westminster S. W.

⊕ Here insert the word "assenting", "dissenting" or ~~Neutral~~ "Neuter".

Fishguard Railway Ord that Chairman sign "dissenting" further Consideration adjourned to next meeting.

Ordered — That our Chairman Sign the post Card as "dissenting" and that the Card be returned immediately. That the further Consideration of the subject be adjourned to next Meeting the Members to be noticed to attend to Consider same.

Proposed

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Proposed by Mr McKelta
Seconded by Mr Kennedy —

D. W. & W. Railway Company — Resolution asking that Clause be introduced in the Extension Bill to make a deep water jetty 500 feet in front

That the Clerk write to the Secretary of the Dublin Wicklow and Wexford Railway Company to ask the Company to give an undertaking that they shall introduce a Clause in the Waterford extension Bill to make a Deep Water Jetty, 500 feet long opposite the Town of New Ross, with a Siding leading thereto, to Carry goods therefrom, and request a reply by the 13th Instant, as in the event of such undertaking not being given, the Town Commissioners' intention is, to petition against the Bill. The Resolution was put and passed, Mr Hutchinson dissenting

D. W. & W. Extension Bill — Consideration adjourned until reply received.

Ordered — That the further Consideration of the subject be adjourned to next Meeting the members to be noticed to attend said meeting to Consider the reply expected to be received from the Dublin, Wicklow, and Wexford Railway Company.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 13th January 1897

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January 13th. Wednesday 13th January — A Weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after ½ a Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Also — "To Consider steps to be taken respecting the Rosslare Railway Bill — Also, the Waterford extension Bill, introduced by the Dublin, Wicklow and Wexford Railway Company." Present — Viz:—

David Murphy, Chairman in the Chair
Edward Mistella
Patrick Kennedy
Matthew Hutchinson
Peter J. Byrne
Henry G. Hinson

Cheques were issued for the following amounts

6 Weekly Bills — £4.7.0
7 James Power ½% Amt of a/cs rendered for Channel flags — 56.0.7

Mc St 7 Path Clerks Report — The Street Inspector Clerk reported Inspector attended — two applications passed

and myself attended to day at the Presenting Session in Clonroche as the Applicants for the three Applications for the flagging of the South side footpath in Michael Street. Mr Calfer, solicitor attended and avocated the passing of the Applications.

Two of the Applications passed. The first from the Corner of Robert street to

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a point twenty feet above Hartleys Gate. Amount £49.13.8.

The Second — From the Point Twenty feet above Hartleys Gate to a point 32 feet above the pump — Amount £49.17.6

The third Application appeared to be a Copy of the Second, and could not be entertained.

The delay in agreeing to the application, Caused delay in sending for application forms, Which had not arrived from Wexford on the last day for sending them ~~from~~ back to the Secretary of the Grand Jury Not having the forms I was obliged to write the applications on plain paper and in writing them had to write six Copies — three for sending off, and three Copies to be Kept. In Sending the ~~the~~ Applications ~~in a~~ the third application was by mistake, in the hurry, the second and Copy, were enclosed for the second and third.

After som objections against the two applications, they were passed.

The Sessions were adjourned to the 4th day of February 1897.

Applications Or° that Applications be sent for

Ordered — That the Clerk send for twelve Copies — Six for application forms and Six for Tendering forms. That Copies of each be Kept on hand in the office In reference to the State of the Streets

Roscrea streets

in Roscrea the following Order was passed—

Ord That Clerk write to County Surveyor Calling his attention to the state of the streets

That the Clerk write to the County Surveyor of Kilkenny, stating that the Streets in Roscrea, are in such a Condition, that no private Vehicle can travel on them in safety; that his attention had been previously Called to this subject in the Communications sent him on the 12th and Twentieth of October last. Also, to state, that the matter will be brought before the Grand Jury of the County of Kilkenny at the next Assizes with the View of having the Contractors payments stopped, and the Bonds of their Sureties put in suit.

Pipe water note from Mrs Keough stating pipe water had not been supplied

A note was read from Mrs Keough South Street asking for the Pipe Water to be allowed to her premises. That she had asked it three months ago but did not get it since.

Street Inspector Called and explains that Mr Hartrick and not do the work

The Street Inspector was Called before the Meeting and in reply stated that William Hartrick had been applied to and had engaged to do the Work. That he had been ill for some time and unable to do the work. The Inspector was directed to Call on Mr. Hartricks brother to do the Work and if he would not do it to Call on John Keough.

Ploughs &c on the Street

In reference to Ploughs &c being Kept before the shop door of Mr S. S. Hearn in South Street

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Plaughs &c on the streets

I S Hearn to be summoned

it was Ordered:- That the Inspector be directed to Summon John S. Hearn for Keeping ploughs and other Machinery in ~~the Street~~ opposite his house in South Street. That our Solicitor take Charge of the Summoning and the proceedings in Court. That the Inspector Call on all persons having matters placed in the ~~Streets & Footpaths~~ on tomorrow and inform them that they will be Summoned for doing so.

Inspector to Call on all persons having matters in the Streets Footpaths and inform them they will be summoned for doing so

The following was read

Dublin, Wicklow and Wexford Railway Company. Secretary's Office

Westland Row Terminus

Dublin 9th January 1897

D. W. & W. Railway Coy acknowledging letter

Dear Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of Your favour of 8th January — Resolution passed ~~by~~ at Town Commissioners meeting at New Rip re Jetty. Which shall have immediate attention.

Yours faithfully

E. M. Cowan

Secretary

To

John Tobin Town Clerk

New Rip

D. W. & W. Railway Coy Clerk of to write asking for a definite reply to Cowan letter of the 8th Inst.

Ordered - That the Clerk write to the Secretary of the Dublin Wicklow and Wexford Railway Company to say, No reply had been received to our letter of the 8th Instant and to request a

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definite answer as to whether the Company will or not introduce into their Bill a Clause providing to erect a deep Water Jetty, five hundred feet long Capable of Mooring two Steamers in length and a Siding, in Connection there with for the Conveyance of Goods by Rail.

The following was read.

Fishguard Railway

22 Great George Street Westmin ster (London) January 9th 1897

Letter from promoters asking What interest Lords had in Banks or foreshore of river

Dear Sir Fishguard and Rosslare

We have Your post card reply dissenting to this Undertaking.

The Lavan Commissioners of New Ross were served in respect of an interest they were supposed to have in the banks, or foreshore of the river Barrow, which might possibly be interfered with in the Construction of the Bridge for Carrying the proposed Railway across that river

No Order Made

We shall be greatly obliged if You will let us Know What interest the Lavan Commissioners claim in this respect, so that it may be properly recognised in our future proceedings

Yours faithfully

Baker, Lees, and Postlethwaite

No Order made.

Irish National Amnesty

The following was read.

Irish National Amnesty Association - General Executive.

41 York Street, Dublin 1st January 1897

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Dear Sir,

Irish National Amnesty

Will you Kindly have the following Resolution brought before your Board at its first meeting, with a view to its adoption and transmitting to the Home Secretary at the Home Office, Whitehall London, before the opening of Parliament.

Yours faithfully
Michael Lambert, President
Thomas Kelly Hon. Sec.

Resolution

At a meeting of the Executive of the Irish National Amnesty Association, held on the 28th December 1896 the following Resolution was passed, and ordered to be sent to all public bodies throughout Ireland, for their adoption;—

"Whereas there are are still several Irishmen in British prisons, undergoing the tortures of penal servitude for ones a period of twelve years for political offences laid to their Charge, and realising in Honor and indignation the hopeless and deplorable Condition of the men recently released, notably Dr Galahen and Mr Whitehead, to which similar prison treatment had reduced them, We believe that the further detention of these prisoners can only be looked upon as persecution and vindictiveness on account of their nationality".

I N. Amnesty Resolution adopted

Proposed by Mr Kennedy
seconded by Mr Hutchinson —

Copy to be sent to Home Secretary

That the Resolution

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be adopted and a Copy transmitted to the Home Secretary, Home office Whitehall Landon.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 20th January 1897

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Wednesday 20th January — A weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 12 oclock PM. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Also — "To Consider a Reply from the Dublin Wicklow and Wexford Railway Company respecting the new wharf and siding."

Members present — Messrs —

David Murphy, Chairman in the Chair
Patrick Kennedy
William Murphy
Edward Mikella
Patrick Hunt

9 The Weekly Bill amounting to — £4.3.6

The following was read

Quay street, New Ros. January 15th 1897

Sir,

Street Obstruction
Letter from J. Doyle

Mr Redmond Called on me to say he had orders from the Commissioners to give notice to all those who has Machines or goods on the public thoroughfare which were an obstruction to the public, to have them removed

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removed, or if not, the owner would be prosecuted.

~~Street Obstruction~~

Letter J Doyle

I take it for granted the Commissioners do not wish to cause any unnecessary annoyance to any one. I wish to put the following facts before them for their Consideration and to try and show them that the machines I have on view are not in anyway an obstruction ~~to the Public~~.

The flagged Space between Fitzgeralds House (where I have the machines) and the street is about 27 feet wide. My machines take up 9 feet of that Space (measuring from the house), leaving a footway of 18 feet between the machines and the streets, thus leaving a footway more than double the the width of the Ordinary footway which latter is in or about 8 feet wide.

M Tierney and Mr Fitzgerald are the only two who Can be inconvenienced by the Machines and I have their Consent to have them there.

Yours &c.
John Doyle

& the Chairman of the New Rop Town Commissioners

- To Order Made.

The following was read.

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Dublin Wicklow and Wexford
Railway Company Secretary's Office
Westland Row Terminus
Dublin 15th January 1897

W. W Railway Co

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 8th
instant, I am desired by the Board of Commissioners to say that
they will give them due Consideration being
most anxious to do all they can to
increase our traffic at Newtop, as
well as elsewhere, but they cannot
give any undertaking such as proposed
with regard to a new Wharf and
Siding. I am Sir,

Your obedient Servant
E. W. Cowan
Secretary.

John Tobin
Town Clerk
New Ross

Cannot give any undertaking as to the new Wharf & Siding

Cons

Consideration deferred to next Meeting

The Consideration of this letter
was adjourned to next Meeting.

The following was read.

New Ross 13th January 1897.

Dear Sir

Yours of the 9th Inst to hand,
the subject matter of which is
receiving my attention

Yours truly
W. H. Jones.

Mr John Tobin
Town Clerk.

Streets State of
Letter in reply
A. Coy Surveyor

The Meeting was adjourned
to Wednesday 27th January 1897.

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Wednesday 27th January — A weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7 o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Town's ~~Commissioners and Streets Comm~~ Improvement (Ireland Act 1854. Also — "To Consider tenders to be sent for the Michael St. Footpath — To Consider steps to be taken respecting the Rosslare Railway Bill and the Waterford extension Railway Bill."

Present — Messrs —

David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Patrick Kennedy
William Murphy
Edward Miskella
Peter S. Byrne
John Butler
Matthew J Finn
Matthew Hutchinson
Henry G. Hinson.

Cheques were issued for the following amounts —

11 Weekly Bill ——— £ 5.4.0
12 J Harrington, Collector of Inland Revenue, Income Tax — 10.4

A Communication was read from Wm E. Mickles Secretary Congest Districts Board, 23 ~~Rutland~~ Square Dublin, Offering to sell an Engine, Stone breaking machine for breaking Stones, Which the Board did not one offered for £269 require any longer, for the Sum of £269.

No Order made,

In reference to Mr J. Doyles letter at last meeting respecting the ploughs to be on the

flags.

Machines on the flags

Proposed by Mr Hinson
Seconded by Mr Mikella

That the Town

Resolution Commissioners, acting under the Act of Parlia-

Flags on the - ment regret they have no power to permit

Fpaths Mr Doyle to place his goods on the footpath,
and they request he will kindly have them
removed.

Amendment

Amendment
Proposed by Mr Butler
Seconded by Mr Murphy

That in Consequence

of the Goods exhibited by Mr Doyle not
being an obstruction to the Public, on
account of the Space being so large, he
be not asked to remove them.

Amendment on a vote lost

The Amendment was put to
the Vote, When there appeared for - Mess -
J. Butler, W. Murphy & P. Kennedy - 3.
Against - Mess - M. Hutchinson, E. Mikella
H.G. Hinson, P.J. Byrne, M I Finn - 5
The Amendment was declared lost.

Resolution put to the Vote and Declared Carried

The Resolution was then put to the Vote When there
appeared - For - Mess - M. Hutchinson E. Mikella
H.G Hinson, P. J. Byrne, M I Finn - 5
Against - Mess - Mess - W. Murphy, J Butler
& P. Kennedy - 3.
The Resolution was declared Carried.

Copy of Resolution to be sent to Mr Doyle.

The Chairman did not vote on any of the Divisions.
Ordered - That the Clerk transmit a Copy of the
Resolution

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Resolution to W Doyle

D. W. & W. Railway Coy

In reference to the Dublin Wicklow and Wexford extension Railway Bill —

Order approving of the Petition sent by Harbour Comrs against the Railway

Ordered — That We entirely approve of the Petition which is about to be lodged by the Harbour Commissioners against the Dublin Wicklow and Wexford Railway Company's Railway extension Bill, and we pledge ourselves to give them every ~~opportunity~~ support for the furthering of their opposition as We are totally dissatisfied with the letter received from the said Company in reply to ours, and we request that a Copy of this Order be sent to the Harbour Commissioners.

D. W. & W. Railway Coy

Or that Clerk inform the Company that Comrs Consider the letter from the Coy of the 15th January unsatisfactory

Ordered — That the Clerk inform the Secretary of the Dublin, Wicklow and Wexford Railway Company that their letter of the 15th January is Considered unsatisfactory, and that the Town Commissioners intend to Cooperate in the opposition to the Bill.

Bills for stones — Or That Collector Collect the Bills forthwith

Ordered — That the Collector be requested to Collect the remaining Bills due for stones sold from the John Street quarry, forthwith.

The following Resolution was received from from C. J. Kenealy Town Clerk, Kilkenny — which had been passed at a meeting of the Kilkenny Corporation on the 21st January —

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Resolution rec'd from Kilkenny Corporation respecting the dispute between the Curers and Dyers in Waterford

Resolved — "That we deeply regret the Bacon Merchants have refused the terms of Settlement of the Present dispute in the Bacon trade suggested by the Bishop of Waterford and agreed to by the Dyers; that as a Continuance of the present struggle must prove disastrous to the Bacon industry, and as the attempts of the Merchants to obtain an unjust and unfair monopoly must, if successful result in injury to the pig fairs in this and other towns in the Country while producing no Corresponding benefit to the pig feeders, we Call upon the people of the City and County of Kilkenny to support the Dyers by every means in their power in the present struggle for the open market and fair Competition, and we suggest a Conference of the representatives of the Corporations and the other public bodies in Ireland, with a View of taking such steps as may seem necessary to protect the Interests of their Several Constituents and prevent the total destruction of the Bacon trade in Ireland".

Marked "read"

Orders — To be marked "Read."

Inspectors Report Called on Merchants re Drapers not to put out boxes, planks outside in the Channels

The Inspectors Report stated — I Called on the Drapers and Merchants and gave them Notice not to put out any shop goods in boxes or planks outside in the Channels or on the footpaths to Cause obstruction and they told me they would not put out any goods after this date.

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date.

Six heaps of Manure for sale

There are six heaps of manure for Sale in the Commissioners Yard.

The drapers did not put out any goods on this week in the Channels or on the footpaths since I gave them the last notices. The brow Merchants did not put out in the streets or footpaths Turnip Cutters or ploughs only Mr Thos Doyle Quay street. He has them on the footpath at Patrick Fitzgeralds shop window. I gave him notice not to do so.

Patrick Reuden delivered a boat load of Lt. Mullins Gravel on this day week I got it taken up to the yard.

Ordered — that the heaps of manure be advertised for Sale. the proposals to be Considered at next meeting.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 3rd February 1897

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February 1st No attendance of Members. The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 3rd February 1897

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1897
February 3rd

Wednesday 3rd February. A Weekly and An Adjourned Monthly meeting of the Town Commissioners, held this day after 4 Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Members present Mess^rs —

David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Patrick Kennedy
William Murphy
Edward McKella
Matthew Hutchinson
Patrick Hunt
John Butler
Henry G. Hinson
John Meehan
James Dowling

Cheques were issued for the following Amounts —

14 Weekly Bill — £4. 9. 0
15 James Ranson, Collector, amt of a/c for Poor Rates as per account rendered — 14. 8. 9

Ploughs &c in the flagway

A Conversation took place respecting the Ploughs &c deputed by Mr J. Doyle on the flagged Space opposite the houses occupied by P. Tierney, and P. Fitzgerald in Quay Street, after which it was agreed to adjourn the further Consideration of the subject to next Meeting, and that the Clerk write to Mr Doyle asking him to send a reply to the Communication sent him on the 30th January 1897.

J Doyles ploughs &c

Adjourned to meeting 10th Feb:

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The following was read.

Mansion House, Dublin, 27th January 1897

Financial Relations.

Sir,

Financial Relations
Letter Lord Mayor
of Dublin

In accordance with a Resolution unanimously adopted at a Public Meeting held at the Mansion House, Dublin on the 28th December 1896, I have to ask the Committee appointed by other Cities, Towns and Public Bodies to name representatives to attend a Conference to be held in the Mansion House, Dublin, on Tuesday, 9th February, at 3 o'clock, to make arrangements for holding a General Meeting ~~of~~ representative of all Ireland, to Consider What further action should be taken.

Most faithfully Yours

N.B. An early reply is requested.

Richard T. McCoy Lord Mayor

An Order Made.

The following was read

Athlone Union, Clerk's Office, 25th January 1897

Dear Sir,

By direction of the Board of Guardians of this Union I beg to hand You annexed Copy of a Resolution adopted at their Meeting on to day, with a request that You will lay same before Your Board for adoption, and if adopted that You will have Copies sent to each Member of Parliament for the County in which the Union is situated

Yours faithfully
J. S. Vaughan LSD
Clerk of the Union

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Copy of Resolution

Proposed by Mr J Vaughan L.P.
Seconded by Mr M. A Lennige and unanimously Resolved -

That Her Majestys Government be requested, pending the Consideration of the Report of the Financial Relations Commission by Parliament, to bring in a Bill to extend the provisions of the Agricultural Rating Act of last Session to Ireland, that the Irish Representatives in Parliament without distinction of Party be requested to press the matter upon the attention of the Government and that a Copy of this Resolution be sent to every Board of Guardians and Municipal Body in Ireland.

Proposed by Mr Kennedy
Seconded by

That the

Resolution be adopted.

Passed unanimously

The following proposals were received ~~from~~ for manure from

P. J Roche Wood Ville — 5 heaps @ 25/- per heap
P. Kelly Camblin 2 heaps @ 22/6 per heap
B Hennessy 2 heaps @ 22/6 per heap
I. Cheevers 1 heap @ 22/6 per heap

Ordered — That Mr Roches proposal for five heaps of manure be accepted @ 25/- per heap the other two heaps on hands to be kept unsold
until

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until more heaps be made and
then that all the heaps be advertised

Mr Hennessy asked for three loads of
paving stones at the usual price.

Ordered — That Mr Hennessy get the
three loads of paving stones @ 2/- per
load.

The Clerk was directed to prepare
a Rough Estimate of a Borough Rate
against this night fortnight

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday
10th February 1897.

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February 10th Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street
Committee held this day at 7½ Oclock P.M.
to transact business pursuant to the Towns
Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Present — Messrs
David Murphy, Chairman in the Chair.
Patrick Kennedy
William Murphy
Matthew Hutchinson
John Butler
Patrick Hunt
Henry G. Hinson
James Dowling

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18 The Weekly Bill amounted to —— £5.6.3

Street Inspector's Report— An Iron Tank has been delivered by the Railway for the Fire Engine.

John Doyle of Quay Street did not remove the turnip Cutters or the ploughs from the footpath at Patrick Fitzgeralds on the north side of Quay Street, ~~did not~~ as I had given him notice to do so.

The following was read.

New Ross Feby 9th 1897

To the Chairman of the Town Commissioners

New Ross.

Sir,

In answer to Mr Robins letter, I wish to state that sometime ago I was asked to remove my machines from the place I had them because they were an obstruction to the public. I did as requested.

The place I have them now, I am sure no reasonable man can truthfully say they are an obstruction to the public, therefore I do not see why the Commissioners should put me or any trader to unnecessary trouble, and I feel sure after due Consideration the Commissioners will not insist upon doing so, but take a broader and more liberal view of the Case.

Yours truly

John Doyle

After a warm discussion on the subject, it was Proposed by Mr Dowling, and seconded by Mr Hinson

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Kinsan—

That the Consideration of the
Subject be adjourned to next meeting.

Amendment.

Proposed by Mr Butler, Seconded by Mr Murphy
— That the Subject be decided on at this
Meeting.

The Amendment was put to the Vote, When
there appeared — For— Mesrs— Hunt, Murphy,
Butler & Kennedy — 4.

Against— Mesrs— Dowling, Hutchinson, Hinson,
and the Chairman — 4.

The Votes being even, the Chairman
gave his Casting Vote against, and declared
the Amendment "Lost."

It was not deemed necessary to put
the Resolution to the Vote. The Resolution
was declared passed.

In reference to the Cleansing of the Footpaths
it was Ordered — That the 88th Section of the
Towns Improvement Clauses Act 1847, 10th & 11th Vic
Cap 34, be put in force; that the Street Inspector
serve Notice on the Occupiers of Houses and Lands
and if the parties do not Comply with the
notice, that he Shall Summon them to Petty
Sessions Without further Order.

The following was Read.

Dublin Wicklow and Wexford Railway Company
Secretaries Office, Westland Row Terminus

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Dublin, 6th February 1897.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter 30th ult. enclosing Copy of order passed by the Town Commissioners relative to a Petition "to be lodged by the Harbour Commissioners" against this Co.'s New Rop to Waterford Extension Bill, I am desired to draw your attention to the fact that obstruction to this Co.'s Bill means support to the Fishguard & Rosslare Railway and Harbour Co.'s Bill, the success of which would have the effect of interfering with the Navigation of your rivers and intercepting the Traffic of your Town

Yours faithfully

John Tobin Esq. E. M. Bowan

Town Clerk New Rop. Secretary.

Ordered = That the Clerk acknowledge the receipt of the letter from the Dublin Wicklow and Wexford Railway Company, and state — That inasmuch as the Dublin Wicklow and Wexford Railway Company have not Conceded the request of this body, and the Inhabitants of the Town of New Rop, We are determined to give their Bill the most strenuous opposition.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 17th February 1897

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1897 —
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Wednesday 17th February — A weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Members present — Messrs —

Henry G. Hinson, in the Chair
Patrick Kennedy
John Butler
William Murphy
Matthew Hutchinson
James Dowling
Peter L Byrne

21 The Weekly Bill amounts to — £3.14.0

In reference to the Agricultural Implements placed on the flagged space at north side of Quay street, by Mr J. Doyle of Quay street —

Proposed by Mr Kennedy
seconded by Mr Murphy — That the consideration of the Application of Mr Doyle be adjourned for six months, and no further proceedings be taken with regard to Lane.

The Chairman objected to receive and put the Resolution on the grounds that doing so would be an illegal transaction of the business of the meeting; that it would have the effect of rescinding a Resolution passed — Mr

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Mr Byrne proposed that the Consideration of the subject be adjourned for a fortnight — the members to be notices to attend.

After some Conversation, it was agreed that Mr Butler serve notice of Motion & name of the 16th December 1896 rescinded after which he handed in the following notice of Motion. —

I will move on this day fortnight that the Resolution of the 16th December 1896 and 27th January 1897 be rescinded.

Feb 17th 1897. John Butler.

Subsequently Mr Butler handed the the Clerk the following notice of Motion after Cancelling the 1st one.

Notice of Motion —

I will on ~~Monday~~ Wednesday 3rd of March 1897 propose — that the Resolution passed in the 27th January 1897 — With reference to Mr Doyle's machinery on footpath be rescinded, and that Mr Doyle's letter of the 15th January 1897 be reconsidered.

Dated February 17th 1897. John Butler.

A Communication was read from E. J. Moran, Hon. Sec. for the New Ros Boat Club asking the use of the large Room for holding the Annual Meeting of the Club on Tuesday 2nd March 1897.

Granted.

In reference to the Order passed on 27th January 1897 — that the Collector Collect the amounts due

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due for the stones sold from John St quarry forthwith — The Clerk stated that he had been told by the Collector, that he had called several times for the amounts due by M Sullivan and I Ashelford, but did not succeed in getting the Amounts

Ordered — That if the amounts due by M. Sullivan & Smith and I Ashelford, Robertson are not paid against next meeting day 24th February 1897 that they be summoned to recover the amounts.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 24th February 1897.

1897 — Wednesday 24th February — A meeting of the
February 24th. Town Commissioners and Street Committee to be held this day at 7½ Oclock P. M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Members in attendance — Mesrs —

Matthew Hutchinson

James Dowling

The two Members remained until after 9 Oclock, and a Quorum not having attended, the Meeting was adjourned to ½ Oclock P. M. Wednesday 3rd March 1895.

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1897 — Wednesday 3rd March — A Weekly
March 3rd and an. Adjourned Monthly Meeting of the Town
Commissioners, and ~~of the~~ Street Committee, held
this day after 1/2 O'clock P.M. to transact
business, ~~and to~~ pursuant to the Towns Improve
-ment (Ireland) Act 1854 — Also — "To Consider
a Notice of Motion — To Revoke a Resolution
passed on the 27th January 1897, referring
to W Doyle's Machinery on the Footpath. Also
that W Doyles letter of the 15th January 1897, be
Reconsidered." Present — Messrs —

David Murphy Chairman, in the Chair
Matthew Hutchinson
William Murphy
Henry G. Dinan
James Dowling
Edward Miskella
Peter J Byrne

Cheques were issued for the following amounts

22 Weekly Bill 24th February ——— £3.4.3
25 John Tobin, Clerk for amount paid to the
Master of the Endowed School for stones quarried
and taken from the Endowed School quarry as per wk — 2.0.10
26 Weekly Bill this date ——— — 4.0.3

The following was read.

Creggnell Brewery near Rop. 3rd March 1897.

The Clerk to the Town Commissioners near Rop.

Sir

On behalf of the members of the families
Connected with the Cherry Brothers, I beg to draw
your attention to the filthy state of the pathways,
Crossings and pavement between the top of the
road

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road leading to the Brewery and Mr Sullivans Shop in John St.— especially on Sunday mornings after Saturdays Market.

I have spoken to you once or twice on this matter, but it seems to have no effect so I shall be obliged if You lay the matter before Your Commissioners.

I also Complain of the total darkness in which the road is left on Certain nights in the month, for fully two hours, from Sunset until the Moon rises over the hill, it is positively dangerous to go along that road, for pedestrians have to grope their way, and horses and Carts run the risk of accident in attempting to go down the hill to Greywell premises. We beg to inform You that between County Cess and Borough Rate We paid £20.15.4 last year and I Consider that we are entitled to some return and Consideration for this large sum paid annually.

Yours faithfully
W. M. Cheny
for Cheny Brothers.

The Inspector was Called befor the meeting. He States in reply, that the place in John St. Complained, had been Cleaned on the Saturday night passed. That he had Known of lamps to be left unlighted

on

Nights, Particularly in Drishtown.

The Inspector was directed to give attention to the Cleansing of John Street. Also, to report the Lamps when left unlighted.

Ordered — That persons owing for stones sold from John St. Quarry and ~~from~~ for Sets sold.

Mr Byrne brought under notice of the meeting the condition of the Large Room on the night the Boat Club held their meeting there. It was very dirty and unfit for persons to assemble in.

Ordered — That the room be Cleanly swept and the articles Cleaned.

~~Street~~ Inspectors Report — Bryan Hennessy
22nd Feb. Got two loads of paving stones from the Commissioners Yard in Marsh Lane He got an order to do so a few weeks back.

24th Feb. . Here are four heaps of Manure finished in the Commissioners Yard ready for sale.

24th Feb. I Called on Mr John S. Kearn and Mr Hutchinson to give them notices to remove the turnip cutters off the footpath. Mr Kearn told me he will not remove them until all the Merchants have to do so as well as himself, and then he will remove them.

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On this day I got from John King for the Commissioners, Twenty twelve feet long planks, for Covering on the pumps at Three Bullet Gate on this Mesh

3rd March I got a Summons taken out for Edward Keogh on this day, for rolling a truck, and a large box on the footpath on the Quay, at 8 Oclock P.M. on 2nd March 1897.

3rd March I have to State that a break came in the main Sewer in Cross Lane at Mrs Kellys, Caused by the heavy rain. I got it opened by Curran and Scanlan at 11 Oclock on this day for about twelve feet. Curran left for about half an hour, from that to two Oclock. He did no do much work. His words were very bad. I told Him to Clean up the Sewer, and he told One to go to hell. His Conduct on this day was very bad. He did not Come back until nearly four Oclock. He was drunk at the time. I had to go for Cahill & Put on the Covering flags. He told Scanlan to Watch him (Curran) and that would do - follow his example. I Cannot get Curran to do his work under on the Town. Only he got such a bad man on the street I would not Complain of him.

Ordered

Ordered — That Michael Curran be suspended from work for one fortnight.

The following was read.

John Street March 3rd 1897.

To David Murphy Esq. Chairman Town Commissioners

Dear Sir,

I am very sorry that I cannot attend meeting to night and propose my "Notice of Motion". I have been to Mullinavat, at Mr P. Dooley's funeral and got Cold. I would feel much obliged if the Commissioners would postpone my notice of Motion until this day week, and trusting the Commissioners will grant me this favour, as I am quite sure you will

Believe me Dear Sir Yours Very Sincerely

John Butler

After a Conversation on the subject it was proposed by Mr Dowling, seconded by Mr W. Murphy, that the Consideration of the Notice of Motion be adjourned.

Proposed by Mr Hinson seconded by Mr Hutchinson, as an amendment — that the Consideration of the Motion be not adjourned.

On the Amendment being put to the vote there appeared — Against — Messrs — Dowling, Murphy, & Byrne - 3.

For — Messrs — Hinson Hutchinson, Miskella and the Chairman — 4.

The Amendment was declared Carried.

Some Conversation ensued as to the proposing

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proposing of the Notice of Motion as a Substantive Resolution — two notices having been served — the first withdrawn — and the second not having referred to the original Order passed on the 16th December.

The Chairman said he would not accept a Resolution on the original Notice of Motion as it had been withdrawn. The Commissioners had been noticed to Consider the Second Notice of Motion, which had been the last served.

The Second Notice of Motion was not ~~put~~ postponed as a Resolution. The Chairman declared the Notice of Motion dropped.

Ordered — That the Street Inspector serve a Written Notice on the persons found leaving ploughs, or any other articles on the streets or footways of the Town, to inform them again that Sub Sections 12 & 13 of Sec. 72 of the "Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, will be strictly enforced & prevent any obstruction being placed on the Streets or footways in the Town.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 10th March 1897.

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Wednesday 10th March — A weekly meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7½ Oclock P. M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Present — Mayors —

David Murphy Chairman, in the Chair.
Matthew Hutchinson
William Murphy
Henry G. Hinson
Patrick Kennedy
Peter J Byrne
James Dowling

Cheques were issued for the following amounts —

28 Weekly Bill — — — £3.10.3

29 G. W. Carr, Collector - County Cess 13½ Bridge Rate 2nd 1/3 in the pound summer Assizes 1896 — 6.12.8½

Street Inspectors Report — I got a list of the lamps kept ~~lighting~~ all night as follows —

1	Sugar House Lane.	1	Fishhouse & Quay
1	Coopers Lane	3	Bridge St.
1	Chemps Brewery	1	College Road
1	Hatch	1	Shambles
1	Charles St Corner	1	Sisters Corner
1	Cross Lane	1	Jones Hill
1	Newtown.	1	Sholsel Corner — 16.

I Served Written Notices on Mr Hearn, Mr Hunt Mr Hutchinson ~~and~~ Mr John Doyle, and Mr B. Hennessy for Sleughs, Machines and other Articles, on the Streets ~~for~~ or Footways for obstruction.

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The Lamp at Cherrys Brewery on Wednesday and Thursday and Friday last were not lighting Also the Strathtown lamps on Thursday and Friday were not lighting.

10th March. All the Merchants have removed their ploughs and machines from the footpaths and Channels and streets, only John Doyce of Quay street. who has a plough on the Footway, North Side of Quay street, and Patrick Hunt, turnip Cutter, Grate and pot out on the Harbour Quay on this day.

Ordered — That John Doyle, Quay st, be summoned for not Complying with the notice served on him by the street Inspector, and also, that any person or persons who may place obstructions on the streets or Footways of the Town be summoned for such offences, that our solicitor take Charge of the legal proceedings that may be required in such Cases.

Answer — Ordered — That the Inspector call on the Secretary of the Officials of the Gas House to ask the Reason Why the Lamps were left unlighted on the nights mentioned in his report.

The following was read

New Ross. March 4th 1897.

The Chairman, New Ross Town Commissioners.

Dear Sir,

I beg to inform You that Mr Richard Thorpe has not paid the half Years rent according to promise on the 1st Instant. Yours truly

M. McGrath

ordered-

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Ordered - That R Thorpe be informed that if the rent is not paid within a fortnight ending 24th March that the Case be handed over to our Solicitor to have the rent recovered.

The following was read.

Quay Street, New Ross, March 10th 1897.

To the Town Commissioners, New Ross.

In repaly to your letter about removing My Agricultural Machines from the Footway in Quay street, I wish to draw - your attention to the fact that My machines are not placed on the Footway in the line of the Public at all, and as there is a Clear Space for public traffic of 19 feet which is more than double the breath of the Ordinary public Footway in any other part of the Town, I say, they are not an obstruction to the traffic or public.

Do not each and every one of You Without an exception, know well that in this Case there is no real obstruction &

I must only think that the ~~subject~~ object of the Commissioners in My Case is not Bone fide to remove obstruction, but has more the - appearance of some mached petty Spite or jealousy than anything else. Yours &c

John Doyle.

The following was read

Woodville New Ross, 10th March 1897.

The Chairman, New Ross Town Commissioners.

Dear Sir - The bearer Patrick Doyle informs me

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me he is an applicant for one of
your houses. He has been in my employ-
ment for several years, and I have always
found him respectable, sober and honest

Yours truly — P. L. Roche
per J. M. R.

Mr Hinson recommended a man named
Byrne for the ~~house~~ tenancy of the house.

The Chairman stated there was no
report of the vacancy of a Tenancy of
one of the Town Commissioners' houses.

The Clerk reported there was a leakage
of Gas in the Office which sometimes
was very offensive. That he had the
Manager of the Gas Works looking about
it. The Manager said he would not like
to test for the leak without raising the
linoleum at the part of the floor where the
the Gas was discernable.

The Clerk was directed to tell the manager
to raise the linoleum & test for the Gas but
to nail it down again.

A Circular was read from a body
Calling itself the Ennis Workmen's Club
giving Copy of a Resolution in
favour of having a Clause inserted in
the Housing of the working Classes (Ireland)
Act

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1896, to extend to the Municipal Bodies under Health Act their borrowing powers on the Valuation of their Borough properties.

As there was neither name of the Lender, or any indication as to Who sent the Resolution, except Ennis Workmens Club, there was no order made.

The Meeting was adjourned to ~~Thursday~~ ~~Tuesday~~ 18th ~~24th~~ March 1897. Wednesday being a Holyday.

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March 18th

Thursday 18th March — A meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7 o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. — Wednesday being a Holyday.

Members present — Messrs —
David Murphy, Chairman in the Chair.
Matthew Hutchinson
Peter J. Byrne
Edward Mispella
John Butter

Cheques were issued for the following amounts —

31	Weekly Bill ———	£4 18. 3
32	M. McGrath amt of a/c for Commission on Collections as per a/c rendered	18. 9. 8

The Clerk reported that Richard Thorpe had

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Thursday 18th March — ~~A meeting of the Town Commissioners~~ had paid £24 — of his rent last week.

The following Resolution was received in Circular from Thomas Sherlock Secretary, Irish Cattle Dealers and ~~Stock~~ Owners Association Offices City Arms Hotel Russell Street, Dublin, March 1897 asking for its adoption —

"That this Committee once more protests against the Governments practice of supplying the troops stationed in Ireland with foreign meat & the detriment of all who are interested in the breeding, feeding, and distribution of home produce, that is to say, men who give employment, pay rates for local purposes, and pay taxes for the support of the state; that we, therefore, Call on Her Majesty's Government to discontinue a System so damaging to Irish interests, and that Copies of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the Secretary of War and the Secretary to the Treasury".

Proposed by Mr Hutchinson
Seconded by Mr Mikella —

That the Resolution be adopted. Passed unanimously.

A Circular was read from the Evicted Tenants Committee Room Thurles, 10th March 1897

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1897 — Laying & Gentlemen — As you may have seen by the newspapers, a great National Convention in Support of the evicted Tenants of Ireland will be held in the Antient Concert Room, Dublin, on Tuesday 23rd March 1897, at 12 oclock, Noon. Having regard to the sacrifices made by these brave men, and the advantages derived from their unselfish and patriotic action by the entire tenantry of Ireland, we feel certain an appeal on their behalf will awaken a responsive Chord in the breast of every Irishman worthy of the name.

We respectfully invite the Cooperation and active support of your Board towards making the Convention a success, and trust that with this view, as large and representative a delegation from Your body as possible will attend thereat.

Tickets for six Delegates are enclosed herewith.

Very respectfully Yours

Canon Scully, Chairman

P. Lynch, Mayor of Drogheda

P. Mockler

Luke I. Elcock, Drogheda

J. Lally.

To Order made.

The Abstract of Uncollected Rate Water was Submitted and examined.

The following sums were Cancelled

Matthew Bryan, 2 way	1-10½
Martin Murphy Henry st (not having got Water)	5-0
	6-10½

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Returned as Collectable — Mary Meehan Quay St — 7-6

The Pipe Water Rent Book for the year ending July 31st 1897 and the Collectors Copy were signed and Sealed

Amount of Rent for Current Year £40-4-4½
Arrears 7-6
Total £40-11-10½

A Communication was received and read from James Roch Bullawn — Applying to be accepted as Tenant for a house near Bowling Green; being vacated by Ms Cullen and offering as his Sureties —

John Lyne North Street, and Ms Thomas Rochford, Maiden Lane.

As no official information had been received as to Ms Cullen having surrendered possession the Consideration of the Subject was adjourned until such information be be received.

The following was read.

Town Commissioners' Office New Ross 16th March 1897

To the Chairman, New Ross. Town Commissioners

Sir,

I beg to state that the School Attendance Committee, at their meeting held on the 4th February last, having been informed that the 'Irish Education Act 1892" had been in satisfactory operation in the Towns

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of Coleraine and Mallow and other Towns, directed the Secretary pro. tem. to address queries to the Town Clerks of Coleraine and Mallow, asking for such information as might be some guidance to the "Local Authority" (the Town Commissioners), and the School Attendance Committee, in setting the Act in motion in their Dist.

At the meeting of the School Attendance Committee held on the 4th March, the replies received from the Town Clerks of Coleraine and Mallow were received and duly Considered, after which the Meeting was adjourned to the 11th Instant

— the Secretary to issue notices to the members visiting the Members to attend — "To take into Consideration replies from Mallow and Coleraine respecting the working of the Irish Education Act 1892 in said Towns".

At the Meeting of the School Attendance Committee held on the 11th March 1897.

The Very Rev Michael Canon Kavanagh Chairman in the Chair the following Resolution was unanimously adopted —

Proposed by the Rev. W. F. Wilkinson
Seconded by the Rev W. Rossiter, C. C.

"That the Secretary be requested to inform the "Local Authority" that the "School Attendance Committee" are anxious, and prepared to Carry out our duties under the Education Act

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Act 1892". When the necessary funds to enable us to do so are supplied, that we desire to express ~~our~~ the hope that the Local Authority will act upon the precedents in the Cases of Mallow and Coleraine (where the payments for the working of the Act were passed by the Auditor), and authorize the necessary funds for our Carrying the Act into force Here".

I remain, Sir,
Your obedient Servant
John Lobin
Secretary pro. tem.
to the new Rep School Attendance Committee.

Ordered — That the Consideration of the Communication be adjourned to next meeting the members to be noticed to attend.

~~The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 24th March 1897.~~

Street Inspector's Report — I Called on the Manager of the Gas House Works to Know what was the Cause for not having the Lamp at Cherrys Brewery and the Lisheen not lighting on three nights the 3rd 4th & 5th of this Month. He told me the men had their orders to do so. He also said that if the glass was

was broken in the lamp it might go out with the heavy winds, but he would be sure to see that it will not happen again. He told me he will be sure to look after the men.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 24th March 1897

1897 — March 24th

Wednesday 24th March — A weekly meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7½ o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns' Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 — "Also — To Consider a Communication from the School Attendance Committee, respecting the Finance required to enable the Committee to act. Also, To Consider a Rough Estimate of a Borough Rate".

Members present — Myers —

Matthew L. Finn in the Chair, and subsequently David Murphy, Chairman, in the Chair.

Patrick Kennedy
James Dowling
Peter J. Byrne
John Meehan
Matthew Hutchinson
Henry G. Hinson
John Butler

34 The weekly Bill amounted to ——— £4.3.3

The Resolution in the Communication received from

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~~The~~ School Attendance Committee, Received at last Meeting was Considered.

After a long Conversation on the Subject it was

proposed by Mr Hinson
seconded by Mr Kennedy —

That the Secretary of the School Attendance Committee be informed, that the New Rop Town Commissioners have no funds available to Comply with the request of the School Attendance Committee; That in Order to Carry out the work of the Town, the Rates which the Commissioners have the Power of striking is at its full. Passed Unanimously

The Applications for the Tenancy of the Vacant House near Fair Gate were Considered — The Application from James Rock Ballown — read at previous Meeting, and adjourned to this Meeting — Offered John Grace North Street and Mrs Rushford, Maiden Lane as Sureties.

The following was read from Patrick Byrne —

Beg to offer Myself as Tenant for a house now Vacant at Fair Gate. I give You as my Sureties Mr William Fortune South Street New Rop, and Miss Plummer Post Office New Rop.

A Communication from Miss Plummer — stated — I would feel obliged if You would allow

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Patrick Byrne (who is in my employ) to rent a small house at present vacant at Fair Gate.

Faithfully — Kathleen Plummer.

The following was read.

The Chairman of the Town Commissioners

Dear Sir,

The Bearer James Norris, is a very decent, honest man, and I have much pleasure in recommending him as a Tenant for the Vacant house on Goat Hill. His present House is unfit for human habitation and he has only one room in it for a large family. I am quite sure the Commissioners will find him a satisfactory Tenant, if they be good enough to give him the house

I am Dear Sir Your obedient Servant

Michael Kavanagh P.P. New Ros.

Proposed by W Kennedy

Seconded by W Hinson —

That Byrnes proposal for the Tenancy be accepted. for the house left vacant in Folly House Lane by Mrs Cullen.

Proposed by W Dowling

Seconded by W Butler —

That James Roche's proposal for the Tenancy be accepted.

On a Vote being taken as to the selection of the Tenant there appeared — For Roche — Messrs — Butler, Byrne, Meehan, & Dowling — 4.

For - Byrne — Messrs — Finn, Kennedy, Hutchinson, Hinson and the Chairman — 5.

Patricks Byrnes proposal was declared Accepted.

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There was no application from James Norris except the recommendation from Canon Kavanagh.

Proposed by W Dowling
Seconded by W Kennedy —

That the papers plans, and specifications in Connection with the Cottages proposed to be erected by the Commissioners during the past Couple of Years be forwarded by the Clerk before the Meeting on this night week, and have them practically taken up and Commenced at once. Passed. Mr Hinson declines to Vote.

The Clerk submitted a Rough Estimate of a Borough Rate. The following is a Summary of the Estimate

Expenditure — Town Commissioners — prospective		£532-19-9
Claims for Payments — Retrospective		276-17-10
		809-17-7
Expenditure — Sanitary Authority prospective	£157-15-0	
Claims for Payment — Retrospective	54-0-0	208-15-0
		£ 1018-12-7
Assets — Town Commissioners	£549-8-2	
" — Sanitary Authority	18-5-0	567-13-2
Balance for which Borough Rate will be required —		£ 450-19-5

By the foregoing Statement it appears that the sum of £450. 19. 5 will be required to be supplied.

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Supplied by a Borough Rate.

On the Net Assessable valuation of the Borough —£7701, a Rate of One Shilling in the pound will produce £385-1-0, leaving a Balance of £65-18-5 unprovided for.

Proposed by W Kennedy
Seconded by W Kinsella —

That the Estimate be adopted, and that Notice of same be given by Printed placards posted in Town and by insertion of Advertisements inserted in next issue of the New Ros Standard and Wexford Free Press, of our intention to make a Rate on Wednesday 31st March 1897.

Passed unanimously.

The following was read

New Ros, 20th March 1897

Sir

I am directed by County Surveyor to inform the Town Commissioners of New Ros that in all Cases where the Streets are interfered with by their Order, for Sewerage purposes that it will be necessary for them to have the Surface of the Streets restored to their Original ~~Level~~ Condition

I am, Sir,
Yours truly
W. H. Jones
Asst Co Surveyor

Lee
Town Commissioners
New Ros.

Ordered — That any places found hollow where the Sewers were opened be levelled up with proper Material.

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The Street Inspector reported Six heaps of manure ready for sale in the Commissioners' Yard.

Ordered — That Advertisements be issued inviting proposals for the manure same to be Considered at next Meeting.

Ordered — That the Inspector remove all materials belonging to the Town Commissioners from the old manure Yard on the Quay to the manure yard in Marsh Lane.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 31st ~~24th~~ March 1897.

1897 — Wednesday 31st March — A weekly
March 31st Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after ½ o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns' Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 — Also — "To strike a Borough Rate". Present —
David Murphy, Chairman, in the Chair
Peter J. Byrne
Matthew I. Finn
Edward Miskella
Patrick Hunt
James Dowling.

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36 The Weekly Bill amounted to £3-16-0

The following proposals for manure were received —

Mary Anne Whitney Creacon, 2 heaps @ 22/6 pr heap

Manure – Proposals Patrick Kelly, Camblin, two heaps @ 23/- pr heap.

Mrs Whitney Ordered – That Miss Whitneys proposal for two heaps of Manure @ 22/6 per heap be accepted.

Patrick Kelly Ordered – That Patrick Kellys proposial for two heaps of manure at 23/- per heap be accepted.

The following was read –

New Ross March 3rd/97.

Pipe water Collection To the Presiding Chairman, New Ross Town Commrs.

Note from Collector Dear Sir,

I beg to inform You that Patrick J. Delaney South Street refused to pay me the water Rent until July or August next. Kindly instruct me what I am to do in the matter and oblige

Yours faithfully

M. McGrath

It was suggested and agreed that the Collection of Mr Delaney's pipe water be allowed to remain until July or August next.

New B. Rate. In accordance with public Notice advertised –

Proposed by Mr Miskella

Seconded by Mr Hunt –

That we agree to make a Borough Rate of Twelve Pence in the Pound on the 1st Assessable Valuation of the Borough, in accordance with the 17 & 18 Vic

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Vic. Cap 103 Sec. 60 and that Said Rate be payable on the 1st May 1897.

Passed Unanimously.

B Rate

Ordered — That our having made a Rate of one Shilling in the Pound be advertised in the usual manner by printed placards posted in Town and by advertisement inserted in the New Rep Standard, and in the Wexford Free Press.

L. Cottages — papers to be produced at next Meeting.

The Clerk stated that he had not the papers respecting the proposed new Cottages ready, but would have them for next meeting

~~The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 7th April 1897.~~

A Circular was received from the Committee — "Queens Commemoration (Victoria Open Spaces)

~~89~~ 83 Lancaster Gate London, desiring or suggesting that the Town Commissioners to take steps to provide an Open Space for the Recreation of the ~~Town~~ Inhabitants of the Town and neighbourhood. This, if proceeded with, to be in Commemoration of the long Reign of the Queen; and which the Committee think would be appropriate beneficial, and permanent. No Order Made.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 7th April 1897.

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1897 —
April 5th.

Monday
~~Wednesday~~ 5th April. — Monthly Meeting
Pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.
day. To attendance of Members. The
Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday
7th April 1897.

1897 —
April 7th

Wednesday 7th April — A Weekly Meeting
and an adjourned Monthly Meeting
of the Town Commissioners and Street Commi-
-ttee held this day at 7½ Oclock P.M. to
transact business pursuant to the ~~Towns~~
Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.
Members present — viz —
David Murphy, Chairman in the Chair
Patrick Kennedy
Edward Miskella
Peter J. Byrne
Matthew J. Finn
Henry G. Hinton
Cheques were issued for the following amounts —

39 Weekly Bill — — — £3.13.0
40 John Tobin, Clerk, ¼ Salary due 7th April '97 — 18.15.0

Street Inspectors Report — Patrick Leacy did not
make the door for the Quarry on the High Hill
yet, to prevent nuisance and Children are
going in there and throwing stones from the
quarry over the Wall into the water Channel
and giving a lot of trouble to the men Cleaning
it up.

Old shed in manure yard Quay removed.

I got the Key of the old manure yard on the
Quay from Mr Boyd. I got the shed taken
down, and all the timber taken away to the
present

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present Manure yard in Marsh Lane.
All the flags and stones and the old watering
Cart, two lamp posts, pump head, three Metal
Michael Cahill is Boarding up a partition
off the shed in the yard. All the old timber
in the engine room will be taken to the yard
as soon as it is ready.

A Communication was read from M.
Curran the man who had been sent to prison
for assaulting the Inspector, saying — I hope you
will excuse me for what I did, but as I was
drunk and excited, I did not know what I was
doing. I hope you may take me into
your employment again, and I will promise
you that such a thing will never happen
me again.

Ordered — To be referred to the Finance
Committee.

The Clerk submitted the plans &c of the
proposed Houses for the Working Classes.

After due Consideration and discussion
it was

Proposed by W Finn
Seconded by W Kennedy

Dwellings for the Working Classes

That Wr T Byrne
be requested to mark in red on the ground
plan of the eleven houses proposed to be erected
in William Street, immediately above the present
Commissioners' houses, the extent of the strip of ground
that would be required from the field at the

T Byrne to prepare plan for Wm St. Houses

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Reans Wm St Homes to be sent to Col Tottenham

here of the houses, to allow the yards to be of sufficient size for sanitary purposes; and that when the ground plan is prepared and marked by Mr Byrne, that same be transmitted ~~to~~ by the clerk to Col Tottenham with a request, on behalf of the Commissioners, that he will be so good as to grant an interview, when next in Town, to a Committee, with the view of entering into an arrangement by which they could obtain the strip of field for the purpose of the the more suitably building of the proposed houses.

Resolved unanimously.

The following was read.

Circular to Town Councils, Town and Township Commissioners, Harbour Authorities and Magistrates in Petty Sessions throughout Ireland.

No 24471. Dublin Castle 31st March 1897.

Carbide of Calcium

Carbide of Calcium.

Gentlemen,

Acetylene Gas

I am directed by the Lord Lieutenant to inform you that in Consequence of the growing importance of Carbide of Calcium, and the fact that the mere Contact of Moisture with this Material Causes a dangerous evolution of the highly inflamable Gas known as Acetylene, an

Order to Come into force 1st April 1897

Order, Copy of Which is enclosed, has been made by Her Majesty in Council, bringing Carbide of Calcium under the operation of the Petroleum

Petroleum Act 1874

Act 1874.

The Order Comes into force on the 1st April 1897, and from that date it will be unlawful to

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to Keep Carbide of Calcium except in virtue of a licence to be obtained from the Authority under the Petroleum Act.

Licence for Keeping Carbide of Calcium to be obtained from Authority under Petroleum Act 1874

A Copy of a Memorandum, prepared by Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Explosives, for the guidance of Local Authorities in dealing with applications for Licences to ~~Store~~ Carbide of Calcium is appended.

I am
Gentlemen,
Your obedient Servant
D. Harrel

The Town Commissioners
New Ross

The Memorandum prepared by Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Explosives — Vivien Dering Majendie, Colonel, for the guidance of Local Authorities in dealing with applications for Licences to store Carbide of Calcium, was annexed to the foregoing Communication.

Finance Committee

Ordered — That the Finance Committee be summoned to meet at 7 o'clock P.M. Tuesday 20th April 1897 — To transact business of the Committee, the Clerk to have book &c for the Committee

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 14th April 1897.

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1897—
April 14th

Wednesday 14th April — A weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Present — Mesrs —

Henry G. Hinson, in the Chair
Patrick Kennedy
Edward McKella
Matthew I. Finn
James Dowling

42 Cheques were issued for the following amts.
Weekly Bill ——— £3.12.4

43 Cashiers of the Bank of Ireland, to be placed to Credit of the Local Goverment Board for Cost of Audit ——— 4.15.0

Bad state of Streets in Rosbercon

The bad Condition of the streets in Rosbercon was Conversed on after which it was —

Clerk to ask County Surveyor of Kilkenny if anything done about Rosbercon Streets

Ordered — That the Clerk write to the County surveyor of the County of Kilkenny, saying the Town Commissioners will feel obliged if he will Kindly inform them if any steps have been taken for the purpose of having the streets in Rosbercon improved or repaired.

The following was read.

Lismore Union.

Board Room, 10th March 1897.

Sir,

I beg to send you the following Copy of a Resolution passed by the Board of Guardians of

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of this Union, on the 3rd Instant

Your obedient Servant

To the Town Clerk M. Healy, Clerk
New Ross.

3rd March 1894

Proposed by Mr Edward A. Murphy
Seconded by Mr James O'Brien, and
Resolved —

Lismore Board of Guardians Resolution — Tenants

That we desire to Call the attention of the Government and the public to the action of Certain Receivers, Messrs — Hussey and Townsend, Mr Cornwall, Capt. Broadly, and others, who are doing all in their power to frustrate the Land Acts.

Firstly — by suing for old arears in some Cases held over tenants for 20 years, and evicting, thus preventing their getting a fair rent fixed, and Confiscating their property.

Secondly — by taking up Mortgages, they being also Agents for Landon Money lending Companies, thus getting a hold of properties, and preventing sales under the Land Act, and

Lastly, — as has Come under the notice of the Conciliation Committee, buying the arrears of rents due to a deceased Landlord for a low sum, and then Collecting them by eviction, and the other devices known only to those land Sharks who are the real Curse of the land System;

That Copies of this Resolution be sent to the Boards of Guardians, and other public Bodies,

to

to the Chief Secretary, the leaders of the different sections of the Irish Party, and our County Members.

Proposed by Mr Kennedy
Seconded by Mr Dowling—

That the Circular from the Lismore Union be adopted and that Copies be sent to the County Members. Passed.

The Chairman dissenting as he had no evidence before him that the Gentlemen referred to acted in the matter as described by the Circular.

A Circular was read from the Local Government Board furnishing the amount of the Cost of last Audit of accounts —£4. 15. 0 which was Ordered to be paid.

Wm St Hawes
Clerks Report of
his measurements &
by Mr Byrne

The Clerk in reply stated that he went with Mr T Byrne to measure the ground above the Commissioners' houses in William Street, That after the measurements, &c Mr Byrne prepared a drawing of the piece of ground on which it is proposed to erect the houses for the Working Classes, the adjoining field, William Street, and Cross Lane, with the strip of ground that would be required from the field for the houses marked in red, so that Col Tottenham Could have a plain view of all particulars Connected with the matter. A letter and the plan was sent to Col Tottenham on the 10th Instant

that he had sent
plans & letter to
Col Tottenham

The Meeting was adjourned to
Wednesday 21st April 1897.

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1897 — April 20th

Tuesday 20th April — A meeting of the Finance Committee to be held this day at 7 o'clock P.M. to transact business, pursuant to Order passed 7th April 1897.

Present — Patrick Kennedy

At quarter to 8 o'clock Mr Kennedy adjourns the meeting to 7 o'clock 27th April 1897.

Ast Mr Kennedy was leaving

Mr Matthew I. Finn entered the Office and Mr Kennedy informed him at the door that he had adjourned the Meeting.

At 8 o'clock,

Mr Henry G. Hinson entered the Office.

1897 — April 21st

Wednesday 21st April. A Weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee, held this day after 7½ o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 — Present — Mupss —

Henry G. Hinson in the Chair

Matthew Hutchinson

Edward Miskella

Patrick Kennedy

Peter J. Byrne

Peter Murphy

45 The Weekly Bill amounted to — £3. 16. 0

The following was read

The Priory New Rop. 21st April 1897

Sir,

Permit me to Call your attention to the

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the Condition of the footpath on the High Hill, and to suggest that Your body would see to its renovation.

High Hill F. Path.

It is now a long time since the first improvements were made with a view of making access to the upper part of the Town via High Hill less fatiguing: and at present the steps and Kerbstones badly need resetting.

As You are aware this is a thoroughfare much used by the artizans who dwell in the populous district of the Leicestown and neighbourhood, and is also a main approach to our Church, and to St. Mary's.

With the hope that, if the Commissioners will take this matter up, the much needed improvements will be made. I am

Sincerely Yours
John Condon D.D.

The Chairman
Town Commissioners, New Ross.

Ordered - That Appreciation be made to next Road Sessions for the repair or alteration of the footpath and steps at south side of High Hill leading to the Friar's Chapel and St. Mary's.

High Hill F. Path Committee.

That W.T. Byrne be requested to prepare a Specification and Estimate and application for the work to be done - That Meyes - Kennedy Hutchinson and Miskella be a Committee to inspect the place with Mr Byrne. That Mr Byrne be arranged with by them for his trouble.

That the Application for the work be signed by the Clerk and Street Inspector and sent off after

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Wednesday 21st April — Minutes Continued it being prepared by W Byrne.

Michael St. F. Path Application to be made

Ordered — That an Application to next Clonroche Road Sessions be prepared, and signed by the Clerk and Street Inspector, and transmitted to the Secretary of the Wexford Grand Jury, for the upper end of the footpath ~~which~~ in Michael Street, (which was not done on to last Clonroche Presenting Sessions), as soon as possible.

W. J. Byrne was Called before the Meeting in reference to the Sewerage in Cross Lane &c —

Cross Lane Sewer. Application to be made.

Ordered — That an Application be made for the improvement of the Sewer in Cross Lane — the Specification, Estimate, and Application to be prepared by Mr J. Byrne — the Application to be Signed by the Clerk and Street Inspector and sent to the Secretary of Wexford Grand Jury by the Clerk as prepared by W. Byrne.

to Reply received from the Secretary of the Kilkenny Grand Jury as to whether any steps had been taken to improve the ~~Stock~~ Footpths in Roxbercon.

Wm St Hawes Post Card stating — Col Tottenham will be home at end of April

A post Card, dated 17th April — stated that — Colonel Tottenham is abroad, but hopes

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hopes to be back at the end of the month.

The following was read.

Financial Relations.

Sir,

At a meeting of the All-Ireland Committee held in the Mansion House on the instant, the following resolution was passed unanimously;—

Proposed by William Field M.P.

Seconded by Richard J. Kelly, Barrister at Law—

"That the Convention suggested at the Conference of delegates on February 9th, last be held at the Mansion House, Dublin, on Thursday 22nd April 1897, at the hour of 2 o'clock in the afternoon, to Consider the situation created by the debate in the House of Commons on the above subject, and to found an Organization to further the object in View".

Signed Mayo Chairman. 9th April 1897.

The Lord Mayor has Kindly granted the use of the Round Room, Mansion House, for this meeting.

The All-Ireland Committee request Your attendance, and that all representative bodies in Ireland send delegates or representatives to this Convention.

Replies to be addressed

Thomas Kennedy Esqr

Hon. Sec. All Ireland Committee

Mansion House, Dublin

Ordered

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Clerk to Write to Chairman to attend Financial Relations Conference in Dublin.

Ordered — That the Clerk Write to the Chairman in the morning, in Dublin requesting him to attend the Meeting of the Conference of Delegates at the Mansion House Dublin on tomorrow on behalf of the Town Comrs to Consider steps to be taken respecting the Financial Relations question.

Finance Committee

Ordered — That the Finance Committee be summoned to meet at ¼ Oclock P.M. Thursday 22nd April 1897. — To transact business of the Committee — Members — Messrs — D. Murphy, E. Miskella, H. G. Hinson, P. Kennedy, M. J. Finn, P. Murphy. Papers to — Rent Book to 31st December 1896, Collectors Accounts Bank Book, Receipts and Vouchers for Bills paid. Mr McGrath Collector, be requested to attend,

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 27th April 1897.

1897 —
April 22nd

Thursday 22nd April — A meeting of the Committee appointed to inspect High Hill to be held at 4 Oclock this day.

Mr Miskella, attended.
Mr T. Bygrave and the Clerk
Also, The Very Rev. J. Furlong Provincial and

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The Very Rev John Condon Prior O.S.F. attended

High Hill Footpath Application to be made

The present Footpath was inspected and suggestions made for improvements. to be made. Mr Byrne agreed to prepare the Specification and Estimate, to have an Application prepared and sent on to the Secretary of the Wexford Grand Jury.

1897 April 22nd

Thursday 22nd April — A meeting of the Finance Committa ~~to be~~ held this day at ¼ O'clock R.M. to transact business of the Committe

Finance Committe

Members present — Messrs —
Edward Miskella
Henry Hinson
Peter Murphy
Patrick Kennedy
Matthew J Finn

Mr McGrath Collector was also present.

The Committe proceeded to transact business; examined Rent and other Accounts. and agreed to recommend the Cancelling ~~the~~ of the following ants

Rents Cancelled.

Reps of Joseph Moffatt — T. Burn, on to 23 in Rental sheet — Which has been Comes on for some years although irrecoverable £16.5.0
News Room & Chamber of Commerce Hotel 24-0-0
J Kavanagh — M. Timmons Found!
A. Reville, ~~Wm St~~ Charged in error — 6-0-0

The Meeting was adjourned to 8½ oclok R.M.
Monday 26th April 1897

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1897 — Monday 26th April A meeting of the
April 26th Finance Committee held this day at 8 o'clock
P. M. to transact business of the Committee

Present — Mesrs —

D. Murphy in the Chair
H. G. Higham
M. J. Finn
E. McKella

Mr Finn produced a statement of a/c prepared at previous meeting which was examined.

The Collectors Abstract of uncollected Borough Rate, on the rate made 20th May 1896.

The Committee examined the Abstract and made Rulings as to the following amounts:—

B Rates Cancelled

Unavailable — , — . —	£ 2 - 4 . 7¾
Vacant Houses — , —	11 . 6 . 6¼
Exemptions — , —	4 - 8 . 3
Allowance for time, unoccupied,	- 3 . 6
Half Annual Rents — , —	2 - 0 - 0
Total amounts Cancelled — , —	20 - 2 . 11
Rate Available, to be entered with new Rate	£ 1 - 0 - 10½
Total — —	£ 21 . 3 . 9½

The Committee were considering their Report, during which time the Clerk was retired from the Meeting. On re entering after the meeting, the Chairman directed the Clerk to notice the Members of the Finance Committee to attend to transact business at 8 O'clock P. M. Friday 30th April 1897.

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1897 —
April 28th

Wednesday 28th April. A Weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee to be held this day after 7 o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Town Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 Present — Messrs —
Matthew S. Finn
Peter J. Byrne
David Murphy Chairman
Patrick Kennedy

A Quorum not having assembled the Meeting was adjourned to Thursday 29th April 1897.

1897 —
April 29th

Thursday 29th April — A Weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee to be held this day after 7 o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Present = Messrs —
Peter J. Byrne
Peter Murphy
David Murphy, Chairman.
A Quorum not having assembled, the meeting was adjourned to Friday 30th April 1897.

1897 —
April 30th

Friday 30th April — A Meeting of the Committee appointed to supervise the steps necessary to be taken respecting the Application for the alteration of the footpath and steps at High

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Friday 30th April — Minutes

High Hill Called to Meet at 11 Oclock A.M.
to Consider an Estimate and Specification
for the work prepared by W.I. Byrne
Members in attendance — Mssrs —

Edward Miskella

Matthew Hutchinson

Mr I. Byrne attended with an Estimate and
descriptive particulars of the work to be done
and entered into explanations respecting it.

The Members present Considered it desirable
that the Clerk transmit immediately a Copy
of Mr Byrnes Estimate and particulars to the
County Surveyor, as they Considered the Matter
in the Application Sent ~~out~~ on, did not
give sufficient particulars as to the work to be
done at the footpath.

The Clerk afterwards Copied and sent on
Copy of the statement ~~with~~ a letter to the County
Surveyor, by the evening post.

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1897 —
April 30th

An Adjourned Friday 30th April meeting of the Lawn Commissioners and Street Committee held this day at ½ 2 o'clock P. M. to transact business pursuant to the Lawns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854

Present — Mayor —
David Murphy, Chairman, in the Chair
Patrick Kennedy
Peter I. Byrne
Matthew Hutchinson
Henry G. Hinson

47 The Weekly Bill amounted to £3-12-9

Mr Hinson had to leave after the signing of the Weekly Bill.

As there was not a quorum present, the Clerk stated that the following would require to be done if possible before next Meeting
— The Manure on hands to be advertised
The Contract for sweeping the Chimneys of the 26 New houses.
The levels taken by a Professional man of the Grate in French's Court, and the Yard of the house next below it in Barrack Lane to show that ~~is~~ ~~to~~ drain Can be made from French's Court to the drain in the Yard of the house below it in Barrack Lane to take away the ~~drains~~ sewage from French's Court.
That Mr Calpin advised that the levels be taken.
The Members present agreed that —
Advertisements be issued for the Sale of the manure.

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That advertisements be issued for a Contract for sweeping the Chimneys of the 26 houses for the working Classes.

That the Clerk engage Mr T. Byrne to take levels in Ffrench's Court and in the Yard of the House below it, as may be advised by Messrs Calfee & Gethin.

That the foregoing acts would be sanctioned at next meeting, they being matters of Urgency.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 5th May 1897.

1897 — April 30th — Friday 30th April — A meeting of the Finance Committee to be held this day at 8 Oclock P.M. to transact business of the Committee No attendance of Members.

The Meeting was adjourned.

1897 — May 3rd — Monday 3rd May — Monthly Meeting day. No attendance of Members.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 5th May 1897.

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1897
May 5th

Wednesday 5th May — A weekly and an adjourned Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and of the Street Committee held this day at ½ O'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 — Also — To transact very important business, Signing the Rate Books — Street Contracts &c &c

Members present — Mayor —
David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Matthew Kutchinson
Edward McKella
Peter L Byrne
Peter Murphy
Patrick Hunt
James Dowling
Patrick Kennedy.

Cheques were issued for the following amounts:—

49 Weekly Bill — — — £3·13·0

50 Cashiers, Bank of Ireland, to pay Board of Public Works, Thirty third instalment of loan for building Labourers Dwellings —

" Principal £28·5·0

" Interest to 30th April 1897 27·10·8

" Years Insurance 1·13·11 57·9·7

51 G. W. Carr Collector — Income Tax as per a/c rendered 6·11·0

Receivable order
No 110
Loans — Lab. Dwellings

Office of Public Works Dublin, 30th April 1897

Please to Receive from New Rop Town Comrs, the Sum of £57·9·7 and place same to the "General Cash Account" of the Commissioners of Public Works.

Principal £28·5·0
Interest to 30th April 1897 27·10·0
Insurance 1·13·11

O. H. Braddell
Accountant.

To the Cashiers of the
Bank of Ireland.

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Clerk's Report - On Friday 23rd April, I prepared and sent on an Application, Registered to W Pigot, Secretary Wexford Grand Jury, for the flagging of the upper part of Michael Street Footpath (which was omitted at last Presenting Sessions) and posted at 1.15 P.M.

At same date and time posted notice to W Webster, County Surveyor, of the Application and also informed him that W Byrne was preparing a Couple of Applications, for repairing or altering the footpath on High Hill, that would be sent on in the evening of same day.

On the evening of the 23rd April received the matter for an Application for the Foot-path on High Hill, and the matter for an Application for the drain or sewer in Cross Lane, from W Byrne, each at £49-15-0.

I prepared ~~and posted~~ at 6 o'clock the two Applications, and posted them on Friday, 23rd April.

On the twenty fourth April — Saturday — W Byrne, after fuller examination, brought the matter for two Applications for the sewer in Cross Lane, each at £49-16-0

I filled the two Applications and sent them on by the evening post — 6 o'clock P.M..

By same post I wrote as directed to W Pigott, Secretary to the Wexford Grand Jury with the two Applications for Cross Lane, asking him to kindly insert them in the list of presentments, and tear up the Application for same work sent on the

previous

previous day. The Applications for High Hill and Cross Lane were filled by Mr Byrne's directions, each time he brought them.

All the Applications were signed by the Clerk and Street Inspector.

28th April 1897 John Tobin, Town Clerk.

On this day, received some particulars from Mr Byrne respecting the Applications sent for the Sewer. in Cross Lane, wrote to and posted them at half past One o'clock, to Mr Webster County Surveyor; and also entered into details as to the reasons why the two Applications for the Sewers were made.

J.T. T.C.

Clerks Report— In accordance with directions given after Meeting held on the 30th April— I issued advertisements for sale of manure. For Contract for Keeping Chimneys of 26 Labourers Dwellings swept and free from Soot.

Also, engaged Mr J. Byrne to measure and take levels at the Grate in French's Court and the adjoining three Yards in which piping for drainage and traps have been fixed by Mr Deane and making Sketch of same as directed by Mr Calfer to be produced before the County Court Judge in Court, and directed Mr Byrne to attend in Court to give evidence respecting same, and prepare estimate of the Cost of Connecting French's Court with one of Mr Deane's Yards by a piped and trapped drain.

Approved.

Ordered— That Mr Calfer Solicitor be requested

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Applications at Clonrock P. Sessions 11th May, W Colfer to attend.

requested to attend at Clonrock Presenting Road Sessions on Tuesday 11th May 1897, to sustain the two Applications for enlargement and extension of the main Sewer in Cross Lane, the flagging of the upper part of Michael St. Footpath, and for the improvement of the footpath and steps at South side of High Hill.

Proposals for Manure were received from Miss M. A. Whitney, Creacon for two Heaps of Manure @ 22/6 per Heap and from Michael Hanrahan, Kilcannelly, The Rower, for one Heap at 22/-

Manure proposals

Miss Whitneys proposal 2 heaps @ 22/6. Accepted.

Ordered — That Miss Whitneys proposal be accepted for two heaps of manure @ 22/6 per heap.

That M Hanrahans proposal be accepted if he pays 22/6 for it.

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Tenders for Keeping Chimneys Clean for one year, were received from the following persons —

Contract - Sweeping Chimneys

Thomas Catton — I propose to Keep the Chimneys of the 26 Houses free from Soot for the Sum of 30 Shillings per year and if You Give me a Five Years Contract, I will take any Mortar or Stuff that is in the Chimneys for 30/ per year.

Henry Martin — I propose to Clean the

~~the~~ Chimneys of the 26 houses for £1-4-0
2 good securities

Patrick Finch – For properly cleaning and keeping free from soot &c the Chimneys of 26 houses for 12 months from acceptance of Tender for Thirty Shillings. Securities Bryan Hennessy & James Haulon.

As Finnegh named securities in his proposal and the others did not, his proposal was accepted.

Mr St Hawes
Clerks Report of interview with Mr Boyd.

The Clerk reported that Mr Boyd asked him (Clerk) to call to the Office that he did so. That Mr Boyd shewed him the map prepared by T. Byrne and sent to Col. Tottenham, of William Street &c with the strip of ground required from Col Tottenham, marked on it, to complete the yards of the Houses for the working Classes proposed to be erected in William Street. Mr Boyd said he would meet the Committee referred to in the letter to Col Tottenham, and give his best attention to the matter with the view of meeting their wishes

Proposed by Mr Byrne
Seconded by Mr Hunt –

Mr St Hawes
Committee to Confer with Mr Boyd

That Messrs – M. Hutchinson, E. Miskella, P. Murphy, P. Kennedy, and the Chairman be a~~p~~ointed a Committee to

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To Confer with Dr Boyd respecting the Slip of ground in William Street about which Col Tottenham had been applied to. Passed.

The Clerk reported that a new Ledger same as the one in use was required.

Ordered - That a new Ledger be procured from Harvey & Co's printing establishment in Waterford where the one in use was printed and bound

The following was read -

Harfoons Town, Bridgetown
22nd April 1897

Wm John Sobin, Town Clerk,
New Ross.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your Communication of the 17th Containing Resolutions passed by the New Ross Town Commissioners and the Enniscorthy Board of Guardians, I beg to say that it will afford me much pleasure to do anything in my power to prevent the infamous practices of Messrs Hussey, Townsend, Cornwall, Broadly, and others, which are Calculated to deprive many tenants of the benefits conferred by the

the Land Acts.

I am Dear Sir
Yours Very Sincerely
Peter F French.

The following was read.

County Surveyor's Office, Wexford April 28, 1897

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of yours Notifying that Your Commissioners are about to apply at Road Sessions for the laying down flagging &c

Yours Faithfully
Henry McAteer
Co Surveyor.

To D Tobin
Town Clerk, New Ross.

The following were read.

To the Presiding Chairman of the New Ross Town Commissioners.

Gentlemen,

As Collector refused, I beg to enclose Cheque for £20-6-0 being amount of half Years rent due up to ~~the 29th~~ September 1895 after deducting half poor Rate, Which I hope You will find Correct. I enclose Duplicate for Landlord.

I remain Yours respectfully
R. I. Thorpe

New Ross May 5th/97.

To the Presiding Chairman, New Ross Town Commissioners

Dear Sir,

I beg to inform You that Richard Thorpe

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Thorpe has not paid ~~his rent~~ the half Years Rent as promised, on ~~the~~ first of May.

Yours truly
M. McGrath

The subject was Conversed on for some time after which it was agreed to adjourn the further Consideration of the matter to next meeting.

The Meeting was adjourned to ~~next~~ Wednesday 12th ~~April~~ May 1897.

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May 12th

Wednesday 12th May — A weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 9 Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the ~~Dublin~~ Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Present — Mssrs —

David Murphy Chairman, in the Chair
Patrick Kennedy
Peter J. Byrne
James Dowling
Matthew J. Finn
Edward Miskella

53 The weekly Bill amounted to — £3.15.0

The following was read

New Rp. May 12th 1897.

To the Chairman New Rp Town Commissioners

Dear Sir — The Auditor told me at time

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last Audit, it was not right for me to allow rates at all where a Tenant owes so much rent as in Mr Thorpes Case until the rent is paid up to date, then have the ~~rent~~ Rates allowed and and the rent paid regularly.

In the Case now before You – if the rent was paid regularly I Could not allow him Rates on the 29th September "95 rent although it was made on the 28th September 95 because he did not pay the rates until the 12th September 1896 and therefore he would not have the dupliate for me.

If You make an order that I allow him on this half Years rent I will act according to the directions of the Commissioners

Yours truly
M. McGrath.

After a long Conversation on the subject it was Ordered – that Mr Thorpe be allowed the poor Rate of 1895 on the half Years rent he is now paying, due 29th September 1895.

The following was read.

County Surveyors Office, Kilkenny, 8th May 1897

John Tobin, Town Clerk, New Ross.

Dear Sir,

I regret delay in answering Yours of the 17th ultimo re footpaths in Rosbercon. There has been a Contract entered into to remake the footpath on the Waterford road and I am expecting the Contractor to begin this at once. There was also a Sum of £3 – paid

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passed to repair the flagging on the path on the station road but no Contractor took it up. If the new Rds Lawn Commissioners would undertake this repair I could have the money paid to them.

Yours Very truly
A. M. Burden

Ordered — That the Clerk write to the County Surveyor, Kilkenny for a Copy of the Specification of the work to be done at the flagging on the path of the station Road.

The following was read.

Registrar of Petty Sessions Clerk's Office, Dublin Castle, 10. 5. 1897

Sir,

I beg to acquaint You, for the information of the Lawn Commissioners, that the proportion of Surplus Moneys arising from the Sale of Licences under the "Dogs Regulation (Ireland) Act 1865" amounts to £17-11-8 for the Lawn of New Rds for the year 1896, and to state that the Lord Lieutenant has directed that this sum should be paid over to the Commissioners pursuant to the "Dogs Regulation (Ireland) Act (1865). to be applied by them in aid of the Lawn ——— Rates in such manner as the Commissioners shall direct.

I am,
Sir,

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Sir
Your obedient Servant
H. Caddell

To the Clerk to the
Commissioners
For the Town of
New Ross.

Proposals for manure were received
from John Byrne, Camblin, 3 heaps @ 23/- per heap
John Phelan Garrondeby 2 heaps @ 22/- per heap

Ordered - That John Byrne's proposal
for three heaps @ 23/- per heap be accepted.

John Phelan's proposal being deemed too
low was not accepted.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday
19th May 1897.

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Wednesday 19th May - A weekly
Meeting of the Town Commissioners
and Street Committee held this day
after 7 o'clock P.M. to transact business
pursuant to the Towns Improvement
(Ireland) Act 1854. Members present, Viz. -

David Murphy, Chairman, in the Chair
Patrick Kennedy
Edward Miskella
James Dowling
Patrick Hunt.

Cheques

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Cheques were issued for the following amounts; —

55 Weekly Bill — £3. 15-0

56 Thomas Byrne amt of a/c rendered for Estimates of St Contracts and plans & of Labourers Cottages — 16. 4. 6

The following was read.

Offices New Ross, 18th May 1897.

Dear Sir

In answer to your question as to whether the Commissioners would be justified in paying Mr Thomas Byrne's account, owing to the fact that portion of said account appears to be barred by the Statute of limitations. In my opinion the Commissioners, if satisfied that the work Charged for was properly done, and that the Charges are fair and reasonable, may pay the account without fear of Surcharge in respect thereof.

John Robin — Yours very truly
Town Clerk — John R Colfer.

Ordered — That Mr T. Byrne be paid the amount of his Certified account £16-4-6

The following was read

New Ross, 19th May 1897

Dear Sir,

I shall be happy to meet a Committee of the Commissioners this evening any hour after three o'clock in William Street

or

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Or Cross Lane, or tomorrow any time except between two and three o'clock and the same remark applies to Friday

Hoping this will be Convenient for the Commissioners and Yourself.

Yours truly

T. T. Evans Boyd

John Tobin
Clerk of the Town Commissioners

Rent Rep.

The Clerk was directed to Lee Mr Boyd and have an hour fixed on, and after that summon the members to attend, at the hour agreed on, to Confer with Mr Boyd on the subject.

A proposal was read from John Phelan, Granuebeg, for two heaps of manure @ 23/- per heap.

Ordered- That Jn. Phelans proposal for two heaps of manure @ 23/- per heap be accepted

A Communication was read from William Merrigan William Street, Tenant in one of the Commissioners Houses - saying they to state that Anne Wallace has left Her house in William Street. & they the Town Commissioners will allow me to enter into the Tenancy of that House.

I am for the past eleven Years tenant in Your house in William Street, and have been a satisfactory Tenant, as to paying the rent and Keeping the house I am in in good Condition. This You Can learn

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learn from the rent account and from the rent Collector Wm McGrath.

I hope you will Kindly grant my request.

Remain, Sir
Yours Faithfully.
William Mensem

A Communication was read from Timothy Cochlan another tenant in the Commissioners houses in William Street, saying —

There is one of Your houses now vacant lower down in William street, which would suit me very much better in every way. Would You Kindly grant me permission to remove to same, vacated by Anne Wallace for which favour I will feel thankful

Yours truly
T. Cochlan

Ordered — That W. Mernigan, having been tenant for the longest period, get A. Wallaces house and that T. Cochlan get Mernigans house — that each of them get any glass that may be broken in the windows of the houses they now occupy, replaced by new glass before being allowed to leave them

The following was read.

The '98 Centenary.

Kindly sign enclosed Memorial, and also obtain the signatures of a few of the decendants of the '98 heroes in Your district so that a County Committee and

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Sub-Committees may be appointed to Carry out the Centenary Celebrations next Year in a Manner worthy of Wexford, and of the decendents of those who played such an honourable part in the Insurrection.

This Step is taken on the Suggestion of Father Kavanagh O.S.F., the Historian of '98.

Please return the Memorial to "The People" Office, Wexford before the 1st June.

May 13th 1897.

The following is Copy of the Memorial referred to

The '98 Centenary.

To His Worship the Mayor of Wexford

We, the decendants of the Wexfordmen who played a prominent part in the Insurrection in defence of their Country and altars in 1798, beg respectfully to urge on Your Worship the necessity of Convening a Public Meeting in Wexford at an early date for the purpose of forming a representative County Committee, and Sub Committees for Enniscorthy, New Ross, and Gorey, to make arrangements for the fitting Celebration of the Centenary next Year, and the reception of our exiled Countrymen who will pilgrimage hither for the purpose of honouring the Memory of the brave "98 Men.

Name.	Address.

Mr Kennedy submitted a Resolution on the subject, but after a Conversation Withdrew it

and

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and the following order was passed to enable all the members to express their opinions on the Subject.

Ordered — That the Consideration of the Circular and requisition Form be adjourned to next meeting, the members to be noticed to attend & Consider the Subject duly, and decide on steps to be taken to aid in the Celebration of the Centenary of '98, next Year.

Trinity Hospital Ejeacle

A recommendation, signed by the Clergy and respectable inhabitants of the Town, in favour of having Eliza Jeacle, Spinster, recommended by the Town Commissioners to the Governing body of Trinity Hospital, to be nominated for admission to that Institution, was read

Hospital Mary Cooney.

Another Recommendation, similarly signed for the same object was read from Mary Cooney Spinster.

Ordered — That the Recommendations read in favour of Eliza Jeacle and Mary Cooney be placed with the other recommendations for the same purpose, already received, and produced at the meeting of the Commissioners Whereat notice from the Governing Body of Trinity Hospital, of their intentions to nominate persons for admission to that Institution,

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Will be Considered.

A Communication was read from Thomas Butler, Tenant in one of the Commissioners houses at Fair Gate, saying - I beg to inform You that the loft at top of the stairs is open and without protection. I respectfully ask You to give me the amount of timber required to make a partition to enclose the landing part of the loft to make it the same as the other two houses. I will get the work done myself.

I have expended a very Considerable Sum in improving the house since I came to occupy it, which Can be easily seen by any of the members who saw the Condition of the house before I entered into possession of it, more than any other weekly Tenant would expend under the Circumstances. Hoping You will Comply with My small request.

I remain, Sir, Your obedient servant
Thomas Butler.

The Chairman Rev Rob Lyon Comminioners

Ordered - That Thomas Butler send to next meeting an Estimate of the Cost of the Timber required to make the partitions he asks for.

The following was read.

Recess Committee.

Mansion House, Dublin, 10th May 1897.

Dear Sir,

We have the honour to send You herewith a Copy of the Memorandum of the Recess Committee

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Committee on the Agriculture and Industries (Ireland) Bill, and to request you respectfully to bring the subject under the notice of your Board.

The desirability of having a Department of Government for Ireland similar to those with which Ireland's foreign Competitors are furnished, for bringing to our hard-pressed agriculture and decaying industries the machinery of State aid, and for establishing a system of Technical Education Connected therewith, is universally admitted.

The Agriculture and Industries (Ireland) Bill proposes to Create such a Department. It has Certain defects, financial and Constitutional, which the enclosed Memorandum points out.

The Recess Committee respectfully submits to your Board that Resolutions at this moment from Irish public Bodies strongly expressing the general feeling that such a department of Administration is badly needed for Ireland, and Calling on our Parliamentary representatives to endeavour to amend the present scheme, would have a Valuable effect in inducing the Government to See the desirability of making the required amendments, and in thus enabling a really Sound measure to be passed into law

law and preventing a great opportunity of benefitting our agricultural and industrial interests from being lost

We have the honour to be
Your obedient Servants
Thomas P. Gill
C. Litton Falkner
Hon. Secs.

The Town Clerk
New Ross.

The Memorandum of the Recess Committee on the Agriculture and Industries (Ireland) Bill was received with the foregoing.

Ordered - That the Consideration of the foregoing Communication be adjourned to next meeting the members to be noticed to attend.

Proposed by Mr Kennedy
Seconded by Mr Mitchell -

That we the Town Commissioners, as Representatives of the Inhabitants & and Traders of New Ross, wish to acquaint the Dublin, Wicklow and Wexford Railway Company, of the necessity of having a Train to Macmine Junction to meet the 6 P.M. Train, down from Dublin to Wexford, as this Train leaves Dublin for New Ross at 3 P.M., which is early, and by attaching a Train to meet the above, it would be a great accquisition to passengers from New Ross, who would have

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have time by this means of going to Dublin and transacting their business in the one day, and we see no reason why We would not be accommodated by the suggested Change as well as Wexford.

Rated Unanimously.

Ordered - That the Clerk transmit a Copy of the Resolution to the Secretary of the Dublin Wicklow and Wexford Railway Company.

It having been stated at the meeting that Trucks Le have been rolled on the footpath on the Quay, the Street Inspector was Called before the meeting and directed to attend at the time Trucks are being Rolled to the Steamer in the morning, and Prosecute the persons he finds doing so.

Clerks Report — I attended with the Street Inspector at Clonroch Presenting Road Sessions (Summer Assizes 1897) on Yesterday Tuesday 11th May, respecting the Applications sent on to the Secretary of the Wexford Grand Jury by the Town Commissioners

Mr Calfer, Solicitor attended to sustain the Applications.

Magistrates in attendance — Messrs — Gibbon (Presiding), R.C. Brehon, S. Sweetman, J. Cheevers J. E. Galavan & R Tyndall.

Representative Ratepayers — Messrs —

E. Neville

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E. Revell, Bawnmore, John Jeffares, Scark Edward Browne, Annestown, R. I. Thorpe Ballyroe, S. M. Jacob Enniscorthy, Michael Hickey, New Rd, John Martin, Mooneyhore, Lawrence Walsh, Corlican, Bernard Murphy Doononey.

Mr Colfer requested the Sessions, as a favour, to take up the Rop Cases first, and the request was Complied with.

The following Applications were passed without Opposition:—

No 8 & 10 Two Applications for 180 yards of Main sewer in Cross Lane — No 8 — to make 90 yards of main drain from the lower end of Cross Lane to the upper end of the Bridewell Wall — £49-15-0

No 9 The footpath at upper end of Michael Street from 32 feet above the Pump to the top of the South side of Michael St £45-0-0

No 10 To make 90 yards of main drain from upper end of Bridewell Wall to the house occupied by Patrick Conway in Cross Lane. — £49-15-0

No 11 To lay a Concrete footpath and Kerbing and additional steps on portion of High Hill — £40-0-0

The Sessions was adjourned to Tuesday 8th June next. Whereat Tenders for the Contracts will be Considered.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 26th May 1897.

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1897— Thursday 25th May— A meeting of the
May 20th Committee appointed to Confer with Mr
J. J. E Boyd, Agent to Col. Tottenham respecting
the Site for the Houses proposed to be built
in William St. held this day at 4 Oclock
P.M. Present— Messrs— M. Hutchinson
E. Mickella D. Murphy

The Committee proceeded to William
Street, and were soon joined by Mr
Boyd.

The Committee with Mr Boyd inspected
the Ground. Mr Boyd said there should
be feet of Space left for an entrance
to the garden, at the rere of P. Gannon's
houses.

The Committee asked Mr Boyd if
Col Tottenham would sell the field
between William Street and Cross Lane
for building the houses.

Mr Boyd said he could not give
an answer but he believed Col. Tottenham
would let the Ground on a 999 years
lease; that he would write to Col.
Tottenham, to ascertain his views on the
subject.

The Meeting was adjourned

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1897 —
May 26th.

Wednesday 26th May — A Weekly Meeting of the Lavon Commissioners and Street Committee held this day at 7½ Oclock RM. to transact business pursuant to the Lavons Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 — Also — "To Consider and decide steps to be taken to aid in the Celebration of the Centenary of "Ninety Eight" next Year.

"To Consider and decide respecting a Circular received from the "Recess Committee" Mansion House Dublin.

"To Consider and decide respecting the adoption of a Resolution received from the Council of the Technical Association of Ireland.

"To Consider steps to be taken respecting Street Contracts.

Members in attendance — Messrs
Peter J. Byrne
John Meehan

A Quorum not having attended at 9 Oclock, the Meeting was adjourned to 7½ Oclock RM. Friday 28th May 1897.

Messrs —
David Murphy Chairman and
Edward Miskella attended after the adjournment.

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Friday 28th May. A adjourned Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7 o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Also "To transact very important business "stated in the Notices for the Meeting called for the 26th Instant." Present - Viz. -

David Murphy Chairman in the Chair
Patrick Kennedy
Matthew I. Finn
John Meehan
Edward McKeller
Peter J. Byrne
James Dowling

59 The Clerk Bill amounts to £4.5.0

Mr Kennedy that the Kerb stones had been levelled opposite the store at Bridge Dock on the Quay opposite the store lately occupied by Mr Furlong, Which Caused persons to slip and fall. That a woman Carrying two Cans of Milk slipped and fell, spilled the Milk and hurtes herself.

Ordered - That the Clerk Write to the County Surveyor Wexford informing him of the dangerous State of the Kerbing at the store, and ask him to direct the responsible party to fix the Kerbing in a Safe and Proper Manner for the public use

Specifications

Ordered - That the Clerk Write to the Secretary

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the Wexford Grand Jury for the Specifi-
-fications of the work passed at Clonroche
Presenting Sessions for 8.9.10. and 11.

Messrs Furlong & Byrne & direct as to proposals

Ordered – That Messrs P. J Byrne, P. Kennedy and M J Furlong be appointed a Committee to direct as to the proposals being properly prepared and arrangements made for having the tenders properly advanced.

The following was read –

County Surveyor's Office, Kilkenny, 20th May 1897

John Tobin, Sew Rep.

Dear Sir,

I enclose Specification of the work to be done in repairing the Leags on the Station Road, Rathercon. The Sum allowed is £3 –

Yours truly

A. M. Burden

The Specification was annexed.

Ordered – That the Consideration and direction as to Whether the Rathercon Footpaths be taken up or not, be referred to the Committee having Charge of the Clonroche tenders, and that their directions be acted on in reference thereto.

A Communication was read from W. P. Bolger Auctioneer, New Ross, saying – I will thank You for the use of the Large Room on terms as heretofore for the purpose of Auction Sales on Friday 3rd & 4th Prox. ordered

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Ordered — That the use of the Room be given to P. Bolger for 5/- each day

It was directed that the Room be brushed and Cleaned.

The following was read.

Irish Industrial League, Office 57 Dame Street, Dublin, 24th May 1897

Proposed Irish Exhibition.

Sir,

I am directed to ask Your Board whether it is their intention to join in the holding of a National Exhibition in Dublin during the ensuing year.

An early reply will much oblige

Yours faithfully

The Chairman
Town Commissioners
New Rds.

L. Mooney, Secretary
Irish Industrial League

~~No Order Made.~~

Irish Industrial League

The following Circular was also received

Irish Industrial League

Office 57 Dame street Dublin 29th April 97

Sir,

We beg to inform You that the Irish Industrial League, acting in Conjunction with the Dublin United Trades Council, propose holding an exhibition of Irish Raw Materials and Manufactures in Dublin during the ensuing year.

It is intended also to erect a building in

in the City in which a permanent Exhibition of Irish made goods will be maintained and lectures given upon Industrial and Cognate subjects.

A limited Liability Company is about to be formed in order to Carry out these objects, substantial promises of support having been received from many of the Nobility, Clergy, Gentry, and leading Merchants of Dublin.

As the Joint Committee are now preparing the necessary details, we shall esteem it a favour if you will kindly inform us whether the people of your City (or town) and district would be likely to Co-operate with us in the undertaking.

Resolutions of sympathy and encouragement from any of your public bodies would also be much appreciated, as ours is a genuine effort to benefit and promote Irish Industries of every kind. An early reply will very much oblige.

Your obedient Servants,

Arthur Lyons Ryder, Chairman } Industrial
L. Mooney, Hon. Secretary } League.
Christopher Timmins } Representatives Dublin
George Lea Leahy } United Trades Council.

to Order made.

The following was read

Dublin Wicklow and Wexford Railway Company

Secretary's Office, Westland Row Terminus, Dublin 22nd May '97

Dear Sir, I beg to acknowledge the receipt

of

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of Your favour of the 21st inst. — Resolution re Train Service which shall have immediate attention.

Yours faithfully

E.H. Cowan

Secretary

To

Jno. Tobin

Town Clerk, New Ross.

A Communication was read from Thomas Butler Fair Gate — saying — In Compliance with the Order of the Commissioners, I beg to state that after due ~~Consideration~~ Calculation I ascertained the probable and lowest Cost of the timber required to make the protecting partition on the loft would be about twelve shillings. The timber for the partition I made myself Cost me 16/-.

Remain, Sir, Your Obt. Servt

Thomas Butler

To the Chairman

New Ross Town Commissioners.

Ordered — That Thomas Butler get an Order for 12/- worth of timber to make the partition on the loft of the house at Fair Gate of which he is tenant.

Trinity Hospital
Mary Carroll

A Recommendation, signed by the Clergy and respectable Inhabitants of the Town, in favour of having Mrs Mary Carroll, Quay New Ross, Widow, recommended by the Town Commissioners to the Governing body of Trinity Hospital for nomination for admission

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admission & that Institution, was read
Ordered - That the Recommendation be
placed with the other recommendations
already received, and produced at a Meeting
of the Town Commissioners when they are
Considering the recommendations already
received

The Clerk submitted the Franchise
Forms received from the ~~Bridewell~~
Clerk of the Union, Containing the names
of the Tenants holding under the Town
Commissioners.

Ordered - That the Clerk fill and
sign the Forms on behalf of the Town
Commissioners.

Street Inspector's Report - Inquired
recommend that locks and Chains be
be put on the pumps in the Brightown
The Ballaron, Seville Street Michael St.
and the pump near Trinity Hospital
& prevent the water being taken away in
barrels.

Ordered - That the pumps be locked at
9 Oclock at night and opened at 7 Oclock
in the morning.

The following was read

Offices New Rop, 28th May 1897

Dear Sir,

By an accident your letter of
Yesterday did not reach My hands
until late this evening. We have therefore
had

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L Dwellings
Lease

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had little time to Consider your question as to whether the Commissioners Can take lands on lease for the purpose of the Housing of the working Classes Acts. Section 57 of the Housing of the Working Classes Act 1890 seems to create a difficulty in deciding this question, but on the whole We are of opinion that the Commissioners may take a lease for 999 years but it must be at a nominal rent, as otherwise the Board of Works might not advance the money for the buildings

We shall look into this question further and if We after our views We shall write you by Monday.

Yours Very truly
Colfer & Tobin

L Tobin
Town Clerk. New Ross

Ordered— That the Committee appointed to Confer with W Boyd, Meet Col Tottenham on Tuesday or Wednesday

The Communication and Memorial read at last Meeting ~~Was Con~~ respecting the Centenary of "98 was Considered in accordance with Notice—
Proposed by Mr Meehan
Seconded by Mr Kennedy— That the Memorial received from Wexford be adopted

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Signed and returned.

Proposed by Mr Mikella
Seconded by Mr Finn, That the
~~Consideration~~ Consideration of the Subject
be adjourned until the Wexford
Corporation take the initiative in the
movement.

After some discussion
The Chairman asked the opinion of the
meeting as to whether he would
put the amendment to the motion and
in response — Mesrs — Finn, Byrne
Muskell and the Chairman voted
against — 4

Mesrs — Kennedy, Meehan and Dowling
were in favour of having the amend-
-ment put to the vote and have the
matter decided on

The Chairman declined to put the amendment
to the vote as there were four members
out of seven who had expressed themselves
against his doing so

The meeting was adjourned to Wednesday
2nd June 1897.

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1897 — Tuesday 1st June A meeting of the
June 1st Committee appointed to take Charge
of the proposals for the Contracts
held this day after 12 Oclock Noon

The meeting was Called in Consequence
of the Clerk having received the following
letter Offices New Rd 31st May 1897

Dear Sir

Kindly inform bearer if the
Commissioners will require Mr Colfers
attendance at the adjourned Presentment
Sessions at Clonroche on the 8th June. We
want the information in Order to See
what arrangements we may make for
that day. Yours truly

John Tobin, Town Clerk Colfer & Gotham
New Rd.

Members present — Messrs
Patrick Kennedy in the Chair
Matthew J. Finn
Peter J. Byrne

After duly Considering the Subject
the Committee agreed that Mr Colfer
attend the adjourned Sessions in Clonroche
on the 8th June to Sustain the tenders on
on behalf of the Commissioners.

The Meeting was adjourned

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1894 —
June 2nd

Wednesday 2nd June — A meeting of the Committee appointed to meet Col Tottenham held this day at near one o'clock. Present — Messrs

David Murphy Chairman J.P.
Edward McKella
Patrick Kennedy
Matthew Hutchinson

The Committee met Col Tottenham in W Boyd's office and Conversed on the Subject for some time

In reply Col Tottenham offered the piece of ground situate between William street and Cross Lane for building the Houses for the Working Classes at £4. per annum on a Lease of three hundred years

The Meeting was adjourned

1897 —
June 2nd

Wednesday 2nd June — A meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day at ½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 Present Messers —

David Murphy Chairman, in the Chair
Matthew Hutchinson
Edward McKella
Matthew J. Finn
Patrick Kennedy
Henry G. Hinson

John

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John Meehan
Peter J. Byrne
The Weekly Bill amounted to ~~£~~ 3.14.6

The following was read

Circular No 2.

Urgent and Important.

Technical Education Association for Ireland
21 Kildare Street Dublin 27th May 1897

Sir,

Since addressing you on the 15th Inst. relative to the Agriculture and Industries (Ireland) Bill, Circumstances have Considerably Changed. The Bill has been withdrawn, and the Government have announced, as an alternative policy, that they will next year introduce a Measure giving relief to Agricultural Rating.

However Having regard ~~to the~~ fact (1) that English and Scotch Agriculturists have already received aid similar to that which the Government announce that it is their intention to extend to Ireland; (2) that Agricultural and Technical Education are already largely endowed in England and Scotland out of Imperial resources; and (3) that England and Scotland already possess an Agricultural Department provided with an ample vote; - it appears to us to be plain that Ireland is entitled to an endowment

for

for Agricultural and Technical Education as well as to relief of Agricultural rating.

It will be observed that if the Government had adhered to their Budget proposals there would have been a large sum available for Technical Education in Irish Towns, while the alternative policy which they have adopted will give them no relief. We regard the withdrawal of the Agriculture and Industries' Bill, and the surrender of the further sum promised in the Budget for Technical Education in towns, with deep apprehension and in the absence of an immediate and vigorous protest from Irish public bodies, we fear that the endowment of Technical and Agricultural Education in Ireland will be postponed for an indefinite period.

We beg to append Copy of a resolution adopted at a meeting of the Committee held on the 27th Instant, and we hope that your body may see their way to passing at as early a date as possible, a resolution expressing their opinion on the question of the Endowment of Technical and Agricultural Education.

We would suggest that any resolution which may be passed should be forwarded at once to the Chief Secretary, to the leading Irish Members, as well as to this Association

Yours faithfully

W. V. Dixon, pro Hon. Sec.

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Agriculture and Industries (Ireland) Bill

Resolution adopted by the Council of the Technical Education Association for Ireland 27th May 1897

"We beg to express our earnest hope that the Government will proceed this Session with a measure to endow a System of Agricultural and Technical Education under the Control of an Irish Department, and that the Sum provided in this Years Budget for Technical Education in Ireland may be applied towards this purpose."

Proposed by Mr Mitchell
Seconded by Mr Meehan

The Resolution passed by the Committee of the Technical Education for Ireland in favour of the passing of a measure to endow a System of Agricultural and Technical Education under the Control of an Irish Department be adopted, and that Copies be sent to the Chief Secretary for Ireland, and to the Members of Parliament for the County Wexford

Ordered — That three boards be procured and fixed ~~with~~ up at with the following Notice painted on them — "Any person found throwing Ashes or other Matters at this place will be prosecuted according to law."

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The following was read.

Offices New Rds 31st May 1897.

The Working Classes Acts.

Dear Sir,

Referring to our letter of the 28th Inst. We have looked Carefully into the Statutes and are still of opinion that the Commissioners may take land on lease for the purpose of the Housing of the Working Classes Acts.

We may add that the Local Government Board also hold the same view

Yours very truly

John Robie Town Clerk Colfer & Lyethun

New Rds

P.S. - It would be a Convenience to us if We know by tomorrow Whether our attendance will be required at Clonroche ~~December~~ Adjourned Road Sessions on the 8th proximo. We have no desire to go there; indeed it will be a matter of some inconvenience but it would be still more inconvenient if We had to attend on short notice.

At their Meeting 1st Inst.

As the Contracts Committee had agreed that Mr Colfer attend at Clonroche respecting the Contracts their decision was approved:

It appearing that Mr Colfer was in Dublin.

Ordered - That the Clerk Write to Messrs Colfer and Lyethun requesting that Mr Colfer ask the Board of Public Works or the Local Government Board for Ireland - What is the shortest

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Shortest lease on which money will be lent to the Town Commissioners to build houses for the working Classes.

Two Recommendations were received — one from Ellen Lyce Mary Street widow and the other from Maryanne Ellard South St Spinster signed by Clergy and respectable Inhabitants of the Town in favour of their being recommended by the Town Commissioners to the Governing Body of Trinity Hospital, to be nominated for admission to that Institution

Ordered that the two recommendations be placed with the others already received and submitted to a meeting of the Town Whereat such recommendations will come to be Considered.

After some Conversation as to the appointment of a Master for Trinity Hospital

Ordered — that McAlpin be asked to get a Copy of Col. Tottenhams appointment as the "Heir of Gregory, (at the Chancery department,) for the Government of Trinity Hospital.

The Clerk reported — that William Merrigans Wife had Called to the Office and stated they would remain in the House they at present occupy

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occupy and would not go to the house lately occupied by Anne Wallace.

Ordered — That the Collector be directed to ask W Merigan and J. Cochlan if either of them intended to enter into the Tenancy of Anne Wallaces house, and report the answers to next meeting.

The Street Contracts question was Considered In Reference to Contractor and Sureties Mr Byrne Volunteered to be one of the Number, and the Clerk was directed to ask Mr M. Murphy.

Further details were left to the Contracts Committee.

The Clerk was directed to get the date when the Order fixing the Charges for holding Auctions in the large room was passed.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 9th June 1897.

1897 — June 3rd. Thursday 3rd June A meeting of the Contracts Committee held this day at 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business — direct as to the preparation of the Tenders &c

Present — Messrs —

Patrick Kennedy in the Chair

Matthew J. Finn

Peter J. Byrne

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After due Consideration the Clerk was directed to fill the Tenders as follows.
For each length of the Sewer in Cross Lane to 8 & 10. £48 — each
For the footpath, Michael St. to 9 — £40 —
For the High Hill Footpath to 11 £40 —

Mr Hunt J.C. Consents to be the Contractor and Mr Wm Murphy & Mr P. J. Byrne to be the Sureties.

The Clerk filled the Tenders as directed and Sent them to the Secretary of the Wexford Grand Jury in Registered Envelope.

1897 — June 7th — Monday 7th June — Monthly Meeting day
No attendance of Members.
The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 16th June 1897.

1897 — June 9th — Wednesday 9th June — A weekly, and an Adjourned Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners, and of the Street Committee held this day after 7½ O'clock P. M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854

Present — Mess —
David Murphy, Chairman, in the Chair
Matthew Hutchinson
Peter J. Byrne

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John Meehan
James Dowling
Cheques were issued for the following amounts

64 Weekly Bill ——, ——, —— £4-1-6
65 Messrs- Davies Brothers &c. Water Tank
" for Fire Engine ——, —— 4-0-3
66 New Ross Gas Company for amt of a/c
" rendered. Light during Summer months &c 19-5-6
67 New Ross Gas Company amt of a/c rendered
" for 3½ Months public lighting &c. ending 31st
" December 1896 ——, —— 63-15-0

The Chairman explained that he had given the use of the large room for holding a Meeting of persons & get up a Bicycling Club in accordance with a Resolution passed by the Town Commissioners - that in case of emergency, and that there was not time to apply to a Meeting of the Commissioners the Chairman be empowered to give the use of the Room for holding a public Meeting

Approved.

A Communication was read from Anne Wallace - saying - I beg to say that as the house I had hired in on Jones's Hill, is still vacant, I will enter into the tenancy with Your permission. I found myself unable to perform the Work I had undertaken. I paid my rent regularly as You can learn from Your accounts. Hoping You will accept me as Tenant. I remain your obedient Servant.

Ordered - That Anne Wallace's proposal for

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for the Vacant house in William Street the Tenancy of Which she had Surrendered

A post Card was read from Mr Webster County Surveyor Wexford, Saying — Yours to hand of the 4th Inst. which is receiving my attention

This was in reply to Communication Sent him respecting the bevelled Kerbing opposite the Store at the Bridge Dock, lately occupied by Furlong & Co.

The following were read.

Offices, New Ross, 9th June 1897

Dear Sir,

I have to report for the information of the Commissioners, that I attended Yesterday at Clonroche Adjourned Road Sessions in support of Mr Hunts tenders for Contracts Nos 8, 9, 10 & 11 in Schedule

No 8 Lower part of Sewer in Cross Lane

In No 8 there were three tenders, Mr Hunt £48— Mr James Connolly £47-15-0 and Mr John Howlett £44— Howlett and his Sureties being Considered ~~Satisfa~~ Satisfactory the Contract was given to him, as indeed the Court was bound to do according to the Act of Parliament. For No 9 Philip Kelly tendered at £37,— Mr Hunt at £40 and James Connolly at £43-15-0. In this case the Contract was given to Mr Kelly for reasons stated above. In No 10, the tenders were— Howlett £46, M Hunt £48— and J. Connolly £48-5-0, the lowest tender being again successful. In No 11 the tender were

No 9 Upper part of Michael St. & Path

No 10 upper part of sewer in Cross Lane

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No 11 Steps & Path High Hill

Mr Hunt £40- Hawlett £34-10-0. In this case Hawletts sureties were deemed insufficient and the Contract was given to Mr Hunt.

Yours very truly
John R Colfer

John Robin, Town Clerk
New Rop.

Offices, New Rop. 9th June 1897.
Re Working Classes Houses.

Dear Sir,

As requested by you I Called to the Board of Works Office when in Dublin last week and ascertained that the Board will make advances to Urban Sanitary Authorities for the purpose of the Housing of the Working Classes Act 1890 on the security of Leaseholds of not less than 50 years term, Coupled with a Mortgage of the rates.

Yours very truly
John R Colfer

John Robin
Town Clerk, New Rop.

After a Conversation on the Houses for the Working Classes the following Orders were passed—

That the Clerk write to the Rev Elliott Carr Rathsaran Glebe, Rathdowney, asking him to state for the information of the Town Commissioners, if he will sell to them, his interest in the Vacant Ground in Cockpit Lane for the purpose of building Houses for the working Classes

That the Clerk Write to Miss E. Mullin, Patrick Street Tramore asking her to state for the information of the Town Commissioners, the extent of the Ground She owns at upper end of Barrack Lane, and the terms on which She would be willing

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Willing to Sell her interest in it to the Town Commissioners; also to state if she holds it in fee or on a long lease.

~~The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 16th June 1897.~~

The following was read.

New Ross Gas Company (Limited) June 9th 1897

Dear Sir,

I beg again to draw your attention to Gas a/c. Should it not be convenient to pay the full amount of same at present a Cheque for £83-0-6, amount due to 31st December 1896 will oblige. Yours faithfully

The Chairman D. Hunt, Secy.

New Ross Town Commissioners.

Ordered — That Cheques be filled for the Bills amounting to £83-0-6 due to the Gas Company

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 16th June 1897.

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1897— Wednesday 16th June. The Annual Meeting
June 16th held this day at 12 o'clock noon to elect
a Chairman for the ensueing year.

Present — Mess^rs —

Henry G. Hinson
Peter J. Byrne
Peter Murphy
Matthew Hutchinson
William Murphy

As the outgoing Chairman was not present, it was proposed by Mr Hinson seconded by Mr P. Murphy
That Mr Hutchinson do take the Chair
Passed unanimously.

Proposed by Mr. Hinson in very laudatory terms — That David Murphy the outgoing Chairman be elected Chairman for the ensueing year.

Mr Byrne in similar terms of appreciation of the Merits of the outgoing Chairman, seconded Mr Hinsons proposition.

No other Candidate having been proposed, Mr Murphy was declared Unanimously elected.

The Meeting was adjourned.

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June 16th

Wednesday 16th June. A meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day at 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Also— "To elect a Commissioner in place of S. W. Krough, disqualified by non-attendance. To Consider steps to be taken respecting the building of houses for the Working Classes."

M. Hinson attended at ½ Oclock, and remained until over half past 8 Oclock, after which he wrote the following entry of adjournment —"It being 8.30 O'clock P.M. I adjourn the meeting to Wednesday 23rd Instant in Consequence of there being no Commissioner but myself in attendance."

Henry G. Hinson Comr.

Subsequent to the adjournment of the meeting Messrs— Patrick Kennedy and Peter J. Byrne attended.

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June 23rd

Wednesday 23rd June— A Weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7 Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 — Also— To elect a Commissioner in place of S. W. Krough, disqualified by non-attendance To Consider steps to be taken respecting the building of houses for the Working Classes,

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and Communications in reference thereto

Members present— Mepis—

David Murphy Chairman, in the Chair

Matthew J. Finn

Henry G Hinson

Edward McKella

Matthew Hutchinson

Cheques were issued for the following amounts—

69 Weekly Bill 16th Instant — £4-10-0

71 Weekly Bill this date — 3-14-6

On taking the Chair the Chairman read the following—

Quay Street New Ross, June 23rd, 1897.

Gentlemen,

My first duty is to thank You most sincerely for the great honour You have Conferred on Me by electing Me as Chairman of this body for the third time, and I offer My special thanks, to My proposer and Seconder for the very Kind and Generous remarks they have used on My behalf. It is Done a great Satisfaction to learn that I have Continued to hold the Confidence of My brother Members of this Board; with all My shortcomings (which were many). I trust that during the discharge of My duties as Chairman I have given no offence to any Member, and if I did, it was not intentionally. But I regret very much that I Cannot accept the favour

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favour so generously imparted to me for many reasons which are unnecessary to explain here, and I therefore resign the position of Chairman of the Town Commissioners. Yours truly

David Murphy.

After some Conversation it was
Proposed by Mr Hinson
Seconded by Mr Mikella —

That the Chairman

Mr David Murphy having read his intention to resign as Chairman, it is proposed that his resignation be not accepted

Passed unanimously

The Chairman again stated that his intention had been fixed on for some time passed, and that he could not consent to accept the Kindness of the members intended by electing him for a second or third time.

As the Chairman stood inflexibly to his intention not to accept the Chairmanship it was agreed that Mr Murphys resignation be accepted; that Mr Hinsons Resolution be withdrawn, and that the members be noticed to attend next meeting to elect a Chairman for the ensuing year.

Proposed by Mr Hinn Seconded by Mr Mikella

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Miskella

That Michael J. Stephenson ~~North Strut~~ New Rop, be elected a Commissioner in place of S. W. Keogh who has Ceased to act.

Carried Unanimously

A Recommendation in favour of having Bridget Murphy Widow to be recommended by the Comrs. & the Governors of Trinity Hospital for admission to that institution was read, after which it was Ordered That the recommendation be placed amongst those already received, and submitted to a meeting of the Town Commissioners, When they receive notice of Nomination of inmates.

The following was read

Dublin Wicklow and Wexford Railway
Traffic Manager's Office 50 Westland Row
Dublin 11th June 1897

Dear Sir,

Your letter of the 24th ultimo - and embodying Copy of a Resolution passed by the New Rop Town Commissioners has been referred to me.

In reply I beg to say the question of forming a Connection Mc Mine (for New Rop) with the 6/10 p.m. train from Dublin is one that has been frequently under Consideration, but has always been found to be impracticable without the employment of an additional Engine to do the work

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work, and my Directors are of opinion that the traffic that would accrue would not Compensate for a necessarily large outlay

Yours very truly
J. Cochlan

John Robin
Town Clerk New Ross

The following were read.

Rathsaran Glebe, Rathdowney 14th June 1897

Dr Sir

I beg to acknowledge yours of the 11th Inst respecting the ~~Count~~ Vacant ground in Cockpit Lane and that W Keyes Esqr Considered the matter more fully, will give a definite reply.

Very Sincerely
Elliott E. Carr

Emerald.
Mirata House Trainore June 12th 1897

Dear Mr Robin,

I received Yours of 10th and write to say I have a lease which my father got from the Rev Mr Morgan which gives full particulars of the plot in Barrack Lane. We got the deed from the Church Temporalities Comrs in 1877 selling it to us in fee. There is no Charge of any Kind on it. If necessary we would send these under Registered Cover for the Inspection of the Commissioners the purchase Cost us £70.

Yours faithfully
M. E. Mullin
Mr Robin

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Emmerald House Tramore
June 15th 97

Dear Mr Lobin

For the Convenience of the Commissioners I forward You Lease of the Premises in Barrack Lane which will show them all particulars You will see by it, it was a Glebe Garden before my father built on it

We have also the Deed which assigns it to us from the Church Temporalities Comrs free for ever.

This We shall send if it pleases the Commissions to see it and I am sure they will give us what they Consider fair for the plot.

Sincerely Yours
M. L. Mullin

Wm Lobin Esq Clerk

Ordered — That the Clerk Write to Miss Mullin asking for the Deed of the purchase of the property in Barrack Lane from the Church Temporalities Comrs Also ask her the lowest sum she would sell her interest in same to the Town Commissioners

A Communication was read from P. Bolger Auctioneer asking to be allowed the use of the large Room for the purpose of holding an Auction Sale of Furniture on Friday 25th Inst.

Ord — That the use of the Room be given for the Auction on the 25th Inst for 5/—

The Meeting then adjourned to Wednesday 30th June 1897.

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1897 June 30th — Wednesday 30th June A Monthly meeting of the Local Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 — Also, to elect a Chairman for the ensuing year.

Members present — Messrs —
Matthew Hutchinson, in the Chair
William Murphy
Matthew J. Finn
Peter Murphy
John Butler
Peter J. Byrne

74 The Weekly Bill amounted to — £4.3.10

Ordered — That Messrs — M.J. Finn, P. Murphy, & P. Byrne Consider and prepare a Communication, to be sent to the Traffic Manager of the Dublin, Wicklow and Wexford Railway Company, in reply to his letter of the 11th June read at last meeting, in reference to forming a Connection at Mac Mine for new Rop with the 6.10 P.M. train from Dublin.

Proposed by Mr Byrne
Seconded by Mr Butler,

That Edward McKella be elected Chairman for the ensuing Year.

Passed Unanimously.

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The Inspectors Report stated that there were Six heaps of manure for Sale in the Commissioners Yard.

Ordered – That Advertisments be issued inviting proposals for the manure to be Considered at next Meeting.

Letters from Mrs Mullen, Bramore and Elliott Carr, Rathsarin Glebe were submitted. They referred to the Sale or letting of building plots. The Consideration of them was adjourned to next meeting to be Considered in Committee.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 7th July 1897.

1897 — July 2nd — Friday 2nd July – A meeting of the Urinals Committee to be held this day at 4 Oclock P.M. To inspect the Urinals at the Fishhouse and to Consider some public Complaints respecting them, which will be explained by Mr Butler J.C. with a View of having them remedied. Members in attendance – Messrs –

Peter J. Byrne
John Butler

A Quorum not having attended the meeting was adjourned.

1897 – July 5th — Monday 5th July – Monthly Meeting day. No attendance of Members. The Meeting was

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was adjourned to Wednesday 7th
July 1897.

1897—
July 6th

Tuesday 6th July — A meeting of the
Finance Committee to be held this day
at 7½ o'clock P.M. To transact business
and to Consider the expenditure of
horsehire at the streets.

Mr Mickella was the only Member
in attendance.

The Meeting was adjourned.

1897—
July 7th

Wednesday 7th July — A Weekly, and
an Adjourned Monthly Meeting of the Town
Commissioners, and of the Street Committee held
this day after 7½ o'clock P.M. to transact
business pursuant to the Towns Improve-
-ment (Ireland) Act 1854 — Also, "To Consider
Communications respecting sites for building
Houses for the Working Classes." Present Mssrs—

Matthew J. Finn, in the Chair
Matthew Hutchinson
Michael J. Stephenson (took the Commissioners Declaration)
Peter J. Byrne
James Dowling
John Meehan
John Butler

Cheques were issued for the following amounts;—

76 Weekly Bill — . — . — £3-15-2

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77 Moran Brothers, amount of a/c furnished for Printing Books and Stationary from ~~the~~ 20th September 1895 to 3rd March 1897 — £20-5-7

78 J. J. E. Boyd Agent to Col Tottenham, one years rent, ½ of Premises occupied by Mrs Galavan in Irishtown due 25th March 1897 - less Poor Rate ~~2/6~~ 0-16-6

" Two years and five Months, (from 25th October 1894 to 25th March 1897.) for Manure Yard in Mark Lane, less 18/- poor Rate allowed ——— 40-3-8 41-0-2

79 John Tobin, Clerk, ¼ Salary due 7th Inst 18.15-0

The following proposals were received for Manure — Mrs M. A. Whitney Croagon two heaps @ 22/6 and Br Kennessy, ~~South~~ St two heaps at 23/- per heap.

Ordered — That Mrs M. A. Whitneys proposal for two heaps of manure @ 22/6 be accepted.

Ordered — That Bryan Kennessys proposal for two heaps of Manure at 23/- per heap be accepted.

Mr Murphy, late Chairman received the two following Communications but as he had, previous to the reception of them resigned the position of Chairman, he handed them to the Clerk to be handed to the elected Chairman Mr Miskella, who had just sent in his resignation before the Clerk presented them to him. Mr Miskella said he was not Chairman, as he had sent in his resignation, and could not act on them.

Roberton Glebe, New Ross 3rd July 1897.

Dear Sir,

The half yearly meeting of the Governors

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Governors of the John Doony School, will be held, God Willing, in the Schoolhouse on Tuesday next 6th July at 11 Oclock.
There will be an election at the above Meeting of three free day pupils into the School. Believe me to remain

Yours Very Sincerely
Robert Y. Heatly
Sec. pro. tem.

David Murphy Esqr.
Chairman Town Comrs
New Rop.

Bally Curry July 5th 1897.

Dear Sir,

There will be a Meeting of the Gover-
-nors of Doony's School at 2-30 to morrow
which I hope you will find it Convenient
to attend for the transaction of the usual
half yearly business.

Yours Faithfully
Charles G. Tottenham

David Murphy Esqr

The Change of the hour of Meeting was to allow time for Col Tottenham's attendance after arrival by Train

A Communication was received from Mr John Fegan, Watchmaker, Charles Street — I would trouble You to lay before the Town Commi-
-ssioners a very trifling matter. I want their Kind permission to allow me to place in the Channel before my window a small iron ring about one inch in diameter

diameter, which can be countersunk in a stone on a level with the pavement; and can state, it cannot lee any obstruction whatever. My object is to connect it with my window blind occasionally

Ordered — That Mr Fagan be allowed to fix a ring and appliance to secure his window-blind, but if it prove to be illegally obstructive, or objectionable by causing inconvenience to the public, the Commissioners will be obliged to cause the fixing to be removed or discontinued

A Communication was read from Patrick Bolger, Auctioneer South Strut, saying — Kindly allow me the use of the large Room on usual terms for the purpose of holding an Auction Sale on Friday next, (9th July) and much oblige.

Ordered — That the use of the large Room be given to Patrick Bolger for holding an Auction on Friday 9th July 1897, for the sum of 5/-

The following was read

New Ros, 2nd July 1897.

Dear Mr Lobin,

I have received your letter of Yesterday, stating that the Town Commissioners had at their last Weekly Meeting unanimously elected me as their Chairman for the ensuing Year. I need not say that I am extremely

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obliged to my brother Commissioners for the Confidence they have placed in me, but having previously occupied the Chair for two years and for other reasons not necessary to mention, I Cannot possibly accept the position.

I therefore place My resignation of the Chair in Your hands and will thank You to place it before the Commissioners at their next Meeting.

I am
very sincerely
Edward Miskella

W J McLoughlin
Clerk Town Commissioners.

Ordered — That We regret very much that Mr Miskella cannot find it Convenient to accept the position of Chairman of our body, and feel reluctantly Compelled to accept his resignation.

Ordered — That the Members be noticed to attend next Weekly Meeting to elect a Chairman for the ensuing Year.

The Clerk states that Mrs Elms Called to the Office and stated that there were some breaches in the roof of her house, and asked that the Commissioners would Kindly Cause the roof to be repaired.

Ordered — That the roof of Mrs Elms be repaired by M. Cahill, one of the Commissioners men

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men, the Inspector to provide the necessary materials for him to do so.

Ordered — That a Water Croft be procured for the Office

Committee

The Commissioners present Resolved themselves into a Committee to Consider Communications respecting sites for building Houses for the working Classes.

The following Communications were read.

Emerald House, Tramore, June 22nd 1897.

Dear Mr Robin,

As requested by Yours of the 20th I forward you the "Deed" from the Church Temporalities Commissioners for Barrack Lane. It Cost us over £70. I think 40 pounds will meet the approval of the Commissioners. When we left Rop the Commissioners gave orders to have the seven houses taken down without any notice to us. The person in Charge had the materials sold on the Quay for his own benefit and pocketed the money.

Remain, Sincerely

Mr Robin

M. E. Mullin

Town Clerk.

Rathtaran Glebe, Rathdowney 24th June 1897

Dear Sir,

In reply to yours asking me to sell the ground to the New Rop Commissioners I have decided not to sell but am willing to give a very long lease for building purposes

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purposes

Yery Sincerely
Elliott E. Lean.

Ordered— That the Clerk write to the Revi McCan, asking him the number of years for which he will be willing to give a lease of the plot of ground in Cockpit Lane, and to say the lowest yearly rent he would be willing to let the plot of ground in Cockpit lane for.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 14th July 1897.

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Thursday 8th July— A meeting of the Committee appointed at the Sanitary Meeting held on the 7th Inst, held this day at 11 Oclock A.M. to inspect the drainage at French's Court the Yard of the house adjoining the Hill School

Members in attendance, Mesrs—

John Meehan
Matthew Hutchinson
Matthew J. Finn
Mesrs Edward Miskella &
David Murphy were also in attendance

The Members proceeded to inspect the drainage in French's Court, the Yard adjoining the Hill school The Members also inspected the plot of Ground offered for sale for building purposes at upper end of Barrack Lane.

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July 14th

Wednesday 14th July — A Weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7 o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. — Also — "To Consider some documents respecting sites for building houses for the working Classes. Also, "To elect a Chairman for the ensuing year." Members present — Messrs —

Matthew Hutchinson, Chairman,
William Murphy
James Dowling
John Meehan
Henry G. Hinson
John Butler.

Cheques were issued for the following amounts: —

81 Weekly Bills — £3.17.0
82 P. M. Egan, Borough Treasurer amt of a/c rendered for Rent Charge less rates allowed 2.7.6
" G. W. Carr, Collector County Cess as per a/c rendered 4.14.9

14th July. Street Inspectors Report — The Fishhouse and privys will require a Coat of limewashing inside and outside this time.

14th July. I got the roof of Mrs Edens ~~house~~ house in William Street repaired by Cahill on this week.

Ordered — That the Fishhouse and privy be limewashed.

The Documents received respecting building plots for building Labourers dwellings were submitted

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Submitted to this meeting.

The Deed of Conveyance, from the Church Temporalities Commissioners to Mary Anne Mullin and Ellen Josephine Mullin, of the plot of Ground situate at the East side of Barrack Lane adjoining the Military Barrack was submitted and examined at the Meeting, and their letter read at previous meeting offering ~~offering~~ to sell their interest in the plot was also Considered.

The Misses Mullen Plot of Ground B. Lane £30. Offered

Proposed by Mr Hinson

Seconded by Mr Meehan —

That should Miss Mullin accept ~~thirty~~ Pounds for her interest in Barrack Lane plot of Ground, purchased by her from the Church Temporalities Commissioners, and give a good title in fee, free from all rents and incumbences, her offer to sell, be accepted.

Passed Unanimously.

The following was read.

Rathsaran Glebe, Rathdowney, 12th July 1897.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your query of the 9th Instant, I cannot give you a direct answer, for I have not the remotest idea what rent I ought to receive for the land at Tollyhouse. I will find from those who understand such ~~proceedings~~ business, and will let you know so soon as I have made up my mind.

Very Sincerely
Elliott G. Sears

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Ordered — That the Clerk write to the Rev E. E. Carr, asking him to inform the Commissioners at as early a date as he conveniently can, the terms on which he will set or sell his interest in the plot of ground in Cockpit Lane as the Commissioners are desirous of taking steps to have houses for the working Classes built without avoidable delay

A Memorandum was submitted ~~to the Meeting~~ stating that Mrs Mackesy held in fee one Acre of land at the South side of the upper end of William Street, of which she would sell her interest in, or let on a long lease, for building Ground, to the Town Commissioners.

Ordered — That the Clerk write to Mrs Mackesy, asking her to state in writing for the information of the Town Commissioners, the terms on which she would let or sell the ground she has at South side of William Street Lower Rop. to the Town Commissioners. That she would only let it, to state the longest lease and lowest rent she would let it for

Ordered — That the members be noticed to attend next Meeting to Consider and decide on documents and proposals for the letting of Sites for the building of houses for the Working Classes; that the Clerk inform Mr Boyd that the Town Commissioners have the Subject of their becoming tenants for the plot

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plot of Ground situates in William Stout and Cross Lane for building purposes, under Consideration, and will, it is expected, in a short time, be able to submit to him their decision on the subject.

In accordance with notice to the Members —

Proposed by Mr Hinson
Seconded by Mr Meehan,

That Patrick Hunt be elected Chairman of the Town Commissioners for the ensuing year.

Proposed by Mr Dowling
Seconded by Mr Hutchinson (presiding Chairman)
— That Matthew J. Firm be elected Chairman for the ensuing year

The Chairman proceeded to take a poll When there appeared for Mr Hunt — Messrs Hinson and Meehan — 2.

For Mr Firm — Messrs — Dowling, Hutchinson Murphy and Butler — 4.

Mr Hinson withdrew Mr Hunt as a Candidate and Mr Firm was declared unanimously elected Chairman for the ensuing year.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 21st July 1897.

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Wednesday 21st July — A Weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7½ Oclock P. M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Also — "To Consider documents respecting Sites for the building of Houses for the Working Classes."

Present — Mess^rs —

Matthew J. Finn, Chairman, in the Chair
William Murphy
Michael J. Stephenson
James Dowling
Peter Murphy
Peter J. Byrne
John Butler
John Meehan

85 The Weekly Bills amounted to — £3.16.0

The Chairman returned thanks for his election to the position of Chairman of the Commission. — Thanked the members for the Confidence they had reposed in him — asked the Cooperation of the Members in assisting in the discharge of the duties during his year of office, at the end of which, he hoped they would be able to show beneficial progress.

A Communication was read from Patrick Bolger Auctioneer, asking the use of the Large Room for holding an Auction of property interest, on the 22nd Instant.

Ordered — That Mr Bolger be allowed the use

of

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of the large Room for holding an Auction of property interest on the 22nd July 1897 for 5/-.

Sites for building Houses.

The Clerk reported that he had an interview with Wm. J. E. Boyd at which Mr Boyd requested that he would be let know as soon as possible the decision arrived at by the Town Commissioners respecting the negociations between them and Col. Tottenham respecting the plot of ground situate between the upper end of William street and Cross Lane.

The following were read.

Emerald House, Tramore, July 18th 1897.

Dear Mr Tobin

Will you Kindly inform the Commissioners that we shall accept their offer of £20 for the plot.

There are no incumbrances on it; No rent. Of Course, Poor Rate, Income Tax. excepted. They can get their Solicitor to draw whatever is necessary for the transfer.

There is one small house standing, rent sixpence weekly.

We were told by the Collector, the Commissioners of (that day) ordered the houses to be thrown down

I remain Sincerely

M. C. Mullin

Wm. Tobin

P.S. Be so good as to thank the gentleman who advocated a ✓ price for the plot on our behalf.

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Rathdaran Glebe 20th July "97
Rath Deverey

Dear Sir,

I Conclude that the Commissioners require ground for several houses. On the plot in question, there is room for 15 or sixteen houses, as I believe it Contains over 80 yards. Now the best way to Come to terms is for the Comm^rs to Say what rent they are satisfied to give either per foot or in bulk. I do not however wish to Conclude the matter until the Comrs have executed the Fee Farm Grant which I asked them for more that two years ago.

Very Sincerely
Elliott E. Lan.

Tramore, Wednesday 21st July 1897.

To the Town Commissioners of New Rds.

Gentlemen,

I have got a field at South side of William Street, New Rds. which I wish to let at four Pounds a Year and Costs with a Lease for 999 Years, or either £70 and Cost at a lease of 999 Years..

Remain Gentlemen
Respectfully
Margaret Mackesy

After a long discussion on the subject of the proposals, it was

Proposed by Mr Dowling
Seconded by Mr Wm Murphy. —

That Col. Tottenham's offer.

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offer to let the plot of Ground situate between William Street and Cross Lane, at the yearly rent of £4, and on a Lease of 300 years, he accepted, if he gives up all Claims on the Commissioners property adjoining it, in William Street.

Amendment.

Proposed by Wm Byrne
seconded by Wm Meehan,

That the Considera-
-tion of the different proposals for letting building ground be adjourned to next meeting.

After a discussion on the subject, it was agreed that the Resolution be put to the Vote. The Chairman took a poll and the members present voted for the Resolution which was declared passed.

Proposed by M Dowling
seconded by Br Wm Murphy-

That the Committee
appointed to Confer with Mr Boyd and Col. Tottenham
at the meeting held on the 2nd June last — Messrs — E.
Miskella, M. Hutchinson, P. Murphy, P. Kennedy
D. Murphy. — be requested to Wait on Mr
Boyd — re sites in William Street — respecting
Resolution passed unanimously at Meeting, 21st
July 1897. Passed unanimously.

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Ordered – That ~~the~~ Clerk write to the Rev Elliott E. Carr asking him to give the area of the ground he would be willing to let in Cockpit Lane and to state how he holds it.

Ordered – That the Consideration of Mr Mackeys proposal be adjourned to next meeting.

The following were read.

New Ross, Independent Brass Band Room May 21st July 1897

To the ~~Chairman and Gentlemen of the~~ Town Commissioners New Ross.

Gentlemen,

I beg to inform you that at a Special by Crowned meeting of the New Ross Gaelic Athletic Club, and Members of the "New Ross Independent Brass Band," last evening in Meeting assembled, I was instructed to Lend you the attached Resolution.

I remain Gentlemen
Faithfully Yours
John Hand Hon. Sec.
Pro. tem.

Proposed by W. John Hand, of the Wexford County Committee, Gaelic Association, Seconded by W. Patrick Browne, President of the "New Ross Independent Brass Band." and adopted Unanimously:–

"That we the Members of the "New Ross Gaelic Athletic Club," and Members of the "New Ross Independent Brass Band," in Meeting assembled, respectfully request the New Ross Town Commissioners, as the duly appointed representatives of New Ross, to take the steps they may deem most desirable, for the formation of a local Branch Committee of the Ninety Eight Centenary Association of this County, embracing persons of all political opinions

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opinions and Classes, who may be willing to join and Cooperate Suitable preparations for the reception of the Irish Exiles who will visit this Town and County, in the Summer of 1898.

Hoping Gentlemen, the foregoing resolution will meet with ~~with~~ your favourable Consideration.

Mess^rs — J. O'Crowley, P. Dinn and J. Hogan, Came before the meeting, as representatives of the St. Marys Band, New Rop. with the View of getting the Commissioners to further the 98 Centenary movement

Mr O'Crowley said the deputation waited on the Commissioners to know what action they were ~~they were~~ going to take with reference to the furtherance of the 98 movement. He then read the requisition signed by representative Townsmen, Calling on Mr Meehan J.P. as one of the County Delegates, to Commence a public Meeting with the desired object.

The Chairman said the Commissioners wanted to know from the deputation what it was they wanted and Mr Crowley, in reply, said they wanted the Commissioners to Call a public meeting to further the movement. That the deputation and those whom they represented were ready to act in thorough accord with the Commissioners, and as the Commissioners were the representative body in the Town and would be expected to lead the way.

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After some Conversation the Deputation retires.

Ordered – That the Applications now made to us to form a Local Committee to Cooperate with the other Committees in the County Wexford, in Celebrating the Jubilee, and to prepare for giving a reception to the Irish Exiles who will visit this Country next year. to Celebrate the Centenary of 1798. be referred to next Meeting, the Members to be Noticed to attend to Consider the Subject The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 28th July 1897.

See Minutes 30th July page. 592 for Correction

J. J. O'Brien
Chairman

1897 — Wednesday 28th July — A Weekly Meeting
July 28th of the Town Commissioners to be held this day at ½ a clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 – Also – "To Consider a "proposal from Mr Mackessy for the letting "of a plot of building ground — To Consider "requests made to the Town Commissioners "in favour of the formation, by the Commissi- "oners, of a Local Committee, to Cooperate "with other Committees in the County Wexford, "to prepare for giving a reception to the "Irish Exiles who will visit this Country "next Year, to Celebrate the Centenary of "1798." "Also to Consider a Notice to the "Town Commissioners, to recommend to "Col. Tottenham, Heir of Gregory, one or more "persons, for election by him to the Office "of Master of Trinity Hospital."

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Members in attendance - Mssrs

William Murphy
Matthew J. Fiinn Chairman
A Quorum not having assembled. the
meeting was adjourned to 7½ Oclock P.M.
Friday 30th July 1897.

Mr Meehan attended after the meeting was adjo-
-urned.

1897 — July 30th — Friday 30th July — An Adjourned Weekly
Meeting of the Town Commissioners and
Street Committee held this day after 7½ Oclock
P.M. to transact business pursuant to the
Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854
Also, To Consider the different questions
mentioned, and stated in the Notice for the
Meeting Called to be held on Wednesday 28th July 1897.

Present — Mssrs —

Matthew J. Fiinn Chairman in the Chair
James Dowling
William Murphy
Peter J. Byrne
Peter Murphy
John Meehan
John Butler

87 The Weekly Bill amounted to —— £3-12-9

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The Street Inspector was Called before the Meeting respecting the sweeping of the streets and Channels. In reply he ~~stated~~ the men went to sweep the lanes and streets after 6 Oclock in the morning, except when the tide would answer for pumping water to water the streets. That the men went to sweep after breakfast at 10 Oclock.

Streets Water Channels

After some Conversation the Inspector was directed to be attentive in having ~~the Streets~~ and Channels Swept Clean.

The following was read.

Rathdaran Glebe 27th July 1897.
Rath Downey

Dear Sir,

Building ground Rev Mr Carr

I have not any regular measurement of the plot of ground but I believe on a rough measurement that it Contains 240 feet or 80 yards. I hold it from the Town Commissioners on three lives renewable for ever. Of Course any of the Commissioners have liberty to have it measured Whenever they like.

Very Sincerely
Elliott E. Carr

Rev. Mr Carr Clerk to the price for interest or rent for Grounds in Cockpit Lane

Ordered - That the Clerk write to the Rev. Mr Carr Stating that the Commissioners would be desirous of buying his interest in the plot of ground in Cockpit lane for building purposes. Also to ask him to state the price for which he will sell it. If he will not sell his interest

in

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in it to state the rent per annum for which he will set it for that purpose.

Building ground Miss Mullins ground Branack Lane to be brought before Solicitor

Ordered — That the Clerk bring the matter of the Sale of Miss Mullins to the Town Commissioners of the plot of ground at the upper end of Branack Lane to Messrs — Calfer and Gethin, our Solicitors to get their instructions thereon, with the view of having the Sale properly Completed — they to do what they deem necessary in reference thereto.

Lease of Cockpit Lane to be produced

Ordered — That the original Lease of Cockpit Lane ground now in possession of the Rev E.E. Carr be preserved and submitted to next meeting.

Building ground Committee to inspect Cockpit Lane

Ordered — That Messrs L. Butler, P. Murphy, E. Mikella, J. Meehan and M Hutchinson be appointed a Committee to inspect Carrs plot of ground in Cockpit Lane — Committee to meet at 11 O'clock A.M. Monday 2nd August 1897, & Report their opinions on the Subject.

The following was read.

Traffic Manager's Office 50 Westland Row, Dublin,
Dublin Wicklow, and Wexford Railway
Dublin 26th July 1897.

Dear Sir — In reply to your letter of the 7th

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Railway Changes for New Ross refused by D. W. & W. Railway

Instant and following mine of the 11th June. I beg to say that the proposal set forth on behalf of the New Ross Commissioners in Connection with the running of a late train to New Ross has received the further and most earnest Consideration of My directors, and Whilst entertaining the desire to meet the wishes of the New Ross Commissioners in this respect, they regret they Cannot see their way at present to run the train Which if they had would most assuredly be at a direct loss to the Company.

Yours truly

John Cochlan

Traffic Manager.

To Order made.

Trinity Hospital

Trinity Hospital

The following was read

To the Town Commissioners of New Ross.

Notice for appointment of Master.

Sirs,

Take notice that a Vacancy has occurred by the Redesignation of Col Tottenham in the Office of Master in the Corporation of the Master Brethern and poor of the Hospital of the Holy Trinity of New Ross and that under the Scheme settled by the Court of Chancery the Commissioners are at Liberty Within Twenty one days receipt of this Notice to recommend to the said Col. Tottenham (the person who now represents the heirs of Gregory) one or more proper persons for election by him to the office of Master.

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Master.

Signed Thomas Boyd
24th July 1897 Secretary of said Corporation

The following entry was made on the notice by the Town Clerk — "Received at Quarter after 4 o'clock P.M. Tuesday 27th July 1897
John Tobin
Town Clerk.

Trinity Hospital Adjournment of recommendation for Master.

After a long Conversation it was ordered — That the Consideration of the Notice received from Mr Boyd Secretary of the Corporation of Trinity Hospital, respecting the appointment of a Master of that Institution be adjourned to next Meeting, the Members to be noticed to attend to Consider same.

Trinity Hospital Clerk to ask Wolfe for Orders - re appointment of Col. Tottenham the Heir of Gregory

Ordered — That the Clerk ascertain from Keepers Calfer and Jethin if they have received the documents Certifying Col Tottenham's appointment by the Court of Chancery to be the person to represent the Heirs of Gregory asked for in the letter of the 3rd June last, and if they have received them, to have them produced at next meeting of the Town Commissioners

Proposed by Mr P. Murphy
Seconded by Mr Dowling —

That the Consideration
of

Building Ground - Mr Mackessys Proposal adjourned for Six months

the proposal from Mr Mackessy for the letting of the piece of Ground in William St for building purposes be adjourned for Six months.

Amendment.

Proposed by Mr Meehan — That Mr Mackessys proposal be accepted.

Mr Meehans proposal was not seconded the Resolution was put to the vote and passed, Mr Meehan dissenting.

High Hill Contract - Steps referred to Committee that prepared proposals - to take steps & have Contract Carried out.

Ordered — That the High Hill Contract be referred to the Committee that inspected and prepared the proposal &c for the Road Sessions, to take steps to have the Contract Carried out.

Bevelled Kerb stones Quay - dangerous Clerk to Write to Asst Co. Surveyor

Ordered - That the clerk Write to Mr Jones, Assistant to the County Surveyor, drawing his attention to the bevelled Kerbing opposite the stone door at the Bridge dock of the Foot path which is dangerous to pedestrians passing that way as several persons have recently fallen there in Consequence of the state of the Kerbing.

98 Centenary.

98 Centenary

The Chairman read the Minutes of previous Meeting referring to the 98 Centenary, and at the instance of Mr Meehan the following words were added, as he said they were omitted in error — "in Celebrating the Centenary and". The words were entered in the order at the end of the meeting held on [redacted] Wednesday 21st July 1897.

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After a Conversation on the Subject it was
Proposed by Mr Dowling
Seconded by Mr. Meehan —

That we the Town

98 Centenary Resolution to take action

Commissioners of New Ross, desire to express
our entire sympathy with a Representative
movement to Co-operate with the County Committee
in the proper Celebration of the Centenary of "98,
and to extend a hearty Welcome to our
brethren who purpose visiting the "old Land"
to take a part in it. Before, however,
taking any decisive steps in the matter, we are
anxious to obtain the Co-operation of the
leading men of the Town, of all shades of
politics, both lay and Clerical, in Order that
a Representative and influential Reception
Committee may be formed.

Having regard to this, and also to the length of
time that will elapse before their arrival
We are of opinion that the Holding of a Public
Meeting at present, would be premature,
and not Calculated to successfully promote
the formation of such a Committee.

Passed Unanimously.

Circular Statistical Returns for Local Government Board to be prepared

A Circular was received from the Local
Government Board, No 56 — M/97 — Miscellaneous
dated 20th July, 1897 — Saying — The Returns
for Local Taxation in Ireland during the
year 1896 are now in preparation for
presentation

Statistical Return

presentation to Parliament and with a view to their Completion, the Local Government Board for Ireland request that You will be so good as to prepare and forward to this Office as was done last Year, a Statement of the several particulars indicated in tables I, II, and III, of the enclosed form.

The Board will feel obliged by your furnishing them with the required returns at the earliest practicable period.

I am, Sir, your obedient Servant

The Clerk to the Town Commissioners New Ross

Thos Mooney Secretary.

Ordered - That the Return be prepared and transmitted as required by the Clerk.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 4th August 1897.

Jas Grimm Chairman

1897 August 2nd

Monday 2nd August - A meeting of the Mrinals Committee held this day at 10 Oclock A.M. to Consider an improvement required to prevent public Complaints being made by the public. To inspect the dead house on the Quay to Consider arrangements to be made for the Safe Keeping of dead bodies. Kept there for Inquests. Present Mssrs -

Mrinals Committee inspected and recommended

John Meehan
John Butler
Peter Murphy
David Murphy

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The Committee agreed that it would be an improvement to have an additional flag place against the side of the second appartment to make the appartment longer in depth.

Dead House she inspected

The key of the Dead house was not available and the Committee did not get to inspect the dead house.

Bell Cupola of Fish house to be repaired

The Condition of the Bell Cupola of the Fishhouse was Conserded on with the view of having it properly repaired.

1897 — August 2nd

Monday 2nd August — A meeting of the Building Committee to be held this day at 11 Oclock A.M. — To inspect the building ground in Cockpit Lane and report thereon

Members who went to inspect the Ground. Messrs

Building ground Matthew Hutchinson

Messrs J. Meehan & M Hutchinson John Meehan

Inspected Cockpit Lane &c The Committee inspected the building ground in Cockpit Lane and Bunnicen Lane. and measured the frontage in Bunnicen Lane and Cockpit Lane.

The frontage of the ground in Cockpit Lane from the gable of the upper house at the lower end of the lane to a stone near the house, now owned by Wm P.J. Byrne measured 215 feet or 71 Yards 2 feet.

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Building frontage Cockpit Lane

From the frontage in Cockpit Lane to the ~~to the~~ frontage in Burnicen Lane 89 feet.
From the frontage in Burnicen Lane to ~~the~~ front of the houses built by J. Rossiter on McCann's holding 28½ feet.
The frontage of three of the houses leading from Bowling Green to Fair Gate measured 48 feet, or 16 feet frontage for each house.

Frontage of Comrs houses in Church Lane 16 feet each

The Frontage of three of the Commissioners houses in Church Lane measured 48 feet, or or 16 feet for each frontage for each house.
By these measurements it would appear that there would be ~~the~~ frontage of 13 houses in Cock pit lane with 9 feet to spare.

1897 August 2nd — Monday 2nd August Monthly meeting day to attendance of Members. The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 4th August 1897.

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1897— Wednesday 4th August a Weekly and
August 4th and adjourned Monthly Meeting of the
Town Commissioners, and of the Street
Committee, held this day after 7½ O'clock
P.M. to transact business pursuant
to the Towns Improvement (Ireland)
Act 1854. — Also, "To Consider a Notice
to the Town Commissioners to recommend
to Col. Tottenham, Heir of Thomas Gregory
one or more persons for Election to the
Office of Master of Trinity Hospital".

Members present — Mayor —
Matthew J. Finn, Chairman, in the Chair
Patrick Kennedy
James Dowling
J. Tm Meehan
Peter J. Byrne
John T. Butler

89 The Weekly Bill amounted to — £3-16-8

Ordered — That persons Keeping advertising
Boards at the front of the weigh Bridge, Fish-
house &c be noticed to remove them.

Fair Gate & Cross

Messrs P Kennedy & P J Byrne to inspect

Ordered — That — Messrs — Patrick Kennedy and
Peter J. Byrne, be appointed to inspect the
Fair Gate and the Cross in the Irishtown, with
the view of ascertaining the best means of
having the injured parts in each restored,
and to prevent any further injury being done to
them. The Members to meet at 10 O'clock A.M.
Thursday 5th August 1897. Mr James Connolly to
be

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Cross & Fair Gate Inspection of

be asked to attend at the Inspection of the Fair Gate and Irishtown Cross.

The following was read

Camblin, New Rop. 4th August 1897.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 3rd Instant, relative to the Kerbing opposite the stone at the bridge Dock, I beg to state that I have made an inspection of same this day. I find there are three Kerb stones with beveled edges opposite a doorway, which were evidently put there designedly to facilitate the passage of Cars in and out through said doorway, and on inspection I find that in numerous places through the Town the same practice is Carried out for a similar purpose.

Kerbing on the Quay

Letter Co Surveyor's Assistant in reply

I Consider it my duty to forward your Complaint to the County Surveyor.

I am, Sir, Yours truly

W. H. Jones, Asst. Co Surveyor

W. H. Robin

Town Clerk. New Rop.

to order made.

The following was read.

New Rop. 4th August 1897

I Dwellings Committee

Dear Sir,

Letter W Boyd to Call Committee to meet him

It will be Convenient for me to meet the Committee of the Town Commissioners any hour and day you name next week in reference to the post in Cross Lane.

Perhaps you could find out what day would suit the Commissioners and let me know.

John Robin Esqr
New Rop.

Yours Faithfully
J. T. Evans Boyd

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L Dwellings Committee to meet Mr Boyd

Ordered – That the Clerk ascertain the time it will suit the Committee to meet Mr Boyd and notice them to assemble to Confer ~~with~~ him.

House Mdt. R Carty accepted as Tenant.

An Application was read from Richard Carty – saying – I apply to you for a House which is now vacant on Jones's Hill. I offer as my Surety Mr E. Miskella my employer.

Signed, Richard Carty, New Ros

August 4th "97

Ordered – That Richard Carty be accepted as tenant for the house in Milliamd. and allowed to enter into possession when it is given up by Culleton and the Bond of Suretyship signed by Mr Miskella.

A Circular, an Address, and Rules, were received from the "Irish Financial Reform League. and submitted to the Meeting.

Irish Financial Reform League

Adjourned to next meeting

Ordered – That the Consideration of the documents received from the Irish Financial Reform League be adjourned to next meeting, the Members to be noticed to attend to Consider same.

The following was read.

Offices New Ros, 4th August 1897.

Dear Sir,

As requested We enclose ~~Copy of~~ ~~Kin~~ Copy Orders of His Chancellor, dated ~~dated~~ 10th February 1896, and 4th day of May 1897, under Which Col Tottenham takes his appointment

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appointment, as representing the Heirs of Thomas Gregory.

John Tobin Esqr.
Town Clerk.

Yours truly
Colfer & Gethin.

The two Orders mentioned in Mr Colfers letter were received and Considered.

Trinity Hospital

Nominations for Master

After a discussion it was
Proposed by Mr Dowling
Seconded by Mr Meehan

That in accordance with Paragraph Five of the Scheme settled by the Court of Chancery, for the management of Trinity Hospital, and with the notice received, on the 27th July 1897, by the Clerk of the Town Commissioners, from the Secretary of the Corporation of Trinity Hospital, We submit, ~~and~~ to Charles Tottenham, of Ballycurry in the County of Wicklow, Deputy Lieutenant, Representative of the Heirs of Gregory, the Names of the following Persons for him to Select one from and Elect to the Office of Master of the Holy Trinity Hospital, New Rop:—

John Doyle, Brandon Cottage, New Rop
James B. Kearne, Rosbercon, County of Kilkenny
Matthew J. Finn, North St. New Rop. C.T.C. & H.C.
Edward Mickella, South St. New Rop, T.C. & H.C.
Patrick Kennedy, South St. New Rop. T.C. & H.C.
David Murphy, Quay St. New Rop. T.C.

The Very Rev. Canon Michael Kavanagh, D.D., P.P., V.F., New Rop.

The

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The Resolution was put to the Vote and adopted Unanimously

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 11th August 1897.

1897 — Thursday 5th August At 10 oclock
August 5th —

A.M. this day — Mesars.
Patrick Kennedy and
Peter J. Byrne, accompanied
by Mr James Connolly and the Clerk to
the Town Commissioners proceeded to
inspect the part of Fair Gate now
standing and the Cross in the Lrishtown

Fair Gate and Cross Irishtown
J Connolly to prepare an Estimate

After inspecting the remains of the Fair Gate and the Cross in the Irishtown Mr Connolly was directed to prepare a descriptive Estimate of the Cost of the Repairs needed for the preservation of the Fair Gate old Wall, and the Cross in the Irishtown and Lend it to next meeting of the Town Commissioners.

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1897 — Wednesday 11th August — A weekly
August 11th Meeting of the Town Commissioners and
Street Committee to be held this day at
7h Oclock P.M. to transact business
pursuant to the Towns Improvement
(Ireland) Act 1854 — Also — "To
" Consider the Report of the Medical
" officer of Health respecting the necessary
" arrangements of a Morgue, presented
" 20th May 1897. To Consider Commun-
" -nications from the Irish Financial
" Reform League. To ~~bans~~ Consider
" an Estimate for the repairs of the
" standing part of the Fair Gate and the
" Cross in the Irishtown".

Mr Rev J. Byrne

Near 9 Oclock, Mr Byrne adjourned
the Meeting to 7h Oclock P.M. Wednesday
18th August 1897.

1897 — Thursday 12th August — A meeting of the
August 12th Contracts Committee appointed to Consider steps
to be taken to get the Contract work at High
Hill Carried out, held this day at 7h Oclock
P.M. to transact business. Present Mess-

Edward Miskella
Matthew Hutchinson
Patrick Kennedy

The Specification of the Work to be done was
Considered

The Clerk was directed to ask Mr Jones
County

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County Surveyor's Assistant to Call and see the Specification and to point out how he desires to have ~~the~~ work done. The Members of the Committee to be called to attend at the time that Mr Jones' Mill attends

Hugh Hill Clerk to ask County Surveyors Assistant as to how work to be done

The Clerk and Inspector were directed to see if the Sewer is making in the middle of the Street in Cross Lane as directed in the Specification and to report the result of the Inspection.

Sewer in Cross Lane Clerk and Inspector to see how the Sewer is being made

High Hill F.P.

It was directed that William Carty, Mason, be asked to Come and see the Specification and give his opinions to the Committee as to how Some of the work is to be done

W. Carty to be Called to see how ~~for the~~ Foot path High Hill

Ordered —

That after the Inspection of the place by the Committee, and County Surveyor's Assistant with Wm Carty, the Clerk ascertain at Mr Powers if they have Granite ~~and if so~~ to have the steps prepared.

The Meeting was adjourned

Contracts

1897 — August 16th — Monday 16th August — A meeting of the Committee held this day at 11 o'clock A.M. to meet the County Surveyors Assistant respecting the Specification of the Work to be done at the Footpath at High Hill. Present —

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Present – Messrs –
Edward Mikella
Matthew Hutchinson
Patrick Kennedy

Committee

St. Contracts Committee

The Committee proceeded to High Hill to inspect the place. The County Surveyor's Assistant William Carty and the Clerk were present at the Inspection.

Orders as to how work to be done

After due inspection it was agreed that 4 steps be fixed above Mrs Byrnes door and five to be fixed at the Middle or half way between that and the Alley where the two houses are, or the landing at Murphy's house.

That the nine granite steps be ordered to be prepared at Powers Yard Bridge St.

That Mr. Carty ascertain if any of the stones in the Commissioners Yard would answer for the paving of the Channel; also, that he try if any the same kind of stones could be procured in Johnstt quarry.

That the Manager of the Gas works be informed that the Gas pipe is exposed at the lower steps at High Hill, and that he be requested to sink the pipe or Curve it out, from the Water Channel.

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1897 — Wednesday 18th August — A weekly
August 18th Meeting of the Town Commissioners and
Street Committee held this day after
7 o'clock P.M. to transact business
pursuant to the Towns Improvement
(Ireland) Act 1854. Also — To Consider
Communications from the Irish Financial
Reform League — To Consider an Estimate
for the repairs of the standing part of the Fair
Gate, and the Cross in the Irishtown."

Members present Mess^rs —
Matthew Hutchinson, in the Chair.
Michael J Stephenson
Peter J. Byrne
Patrick Kennedy
William Murphy
Patrick Hunt
James Dowling

Cheques were issued for the following amounts

91 Weekly Bill 11th Instant — £4.0.9
93 Weekly Bill this date — 4.8.4

Sewer Cross Lane
Clerks Report

The Clerk reported that the sewer was made by the Contractor, more to the South than to the North side of the Street in Cross Lane.

Sewer Cross Lane
Clerk to write to
County Surveyor

Ordered — That the Clerk write to the County Surveyor drawing his attention to the fact that the Sewer is not made in the Centre of the Street in Cross Lane as prescribed in the Specification.

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The following was read.

Fair Hate Wednesday.

To the Chairman, Town Commissioners.

Sir,

Letter E Whitty complaining of annoyance from Mr Commors

I regret to have to inform you of a Considerable amount of annoyance that I have for the past few months been subjected to by one of your tenants, a Mr Commors Goat Bill. I read by your Rules submitted to me when accepting tenancy that you treat with Cases such as this. As Mr Commors has been Complained of to you before, I trust you will see your way to be a little more exacting with her this time and to save me and my family a great deal of annoyance. Thanking You in anticipation. I am Your obedient servant

Edward Whitty

Whitty, Letter Clerk to write E. P. Cannon stating if annoyance Continues he will be dispossessed

Ordered — That the Clerk write to Patrick Commors, informing him that if himself or wife, or any of his family give annoyance to their fellow-tenants or neighbours he will be obliged to leave his house, as the Order passed in August 1895, respecting disorderly Tenants, Copy of Which was served on each of the Tenants, will be promptly Carried out.

The following was read.

New Ross, August 18th 1897.

Chairman, Town Commissioners

Dear Sir

We shall feel obliged for permission to

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to open ground on High Hill to lay pipes from the disused well to rere of Hotel. Yours truly,

M'Kearn & Son.

High Hill pump shaft
M'Kearn asks permission to lay pipes from rere of Hotel
Granted.

Ordered — That permission be Granted to Messrs — Kearn & Son, to lay a pipe from the pump well on High Hill to their Hotel premises, the Covering of the pump well to be so properly secured as to prevent danger to the public. This permission not to Countenance or alter in any way the Order passed in their application read at the meeting held on the 6th May 1896, and transmitted to them on the 7th of same month.

The following was read.

Circular to Town Councils, Town and Township Commissioners, Harbour Authorities, and Magistrates in Petty Sessions throughout Ireland.

No 13537. Dublin Castle, 17th August 1897.

Carbide of Calcium.

Carbide of Calcium

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Lord Lieutenant to inform You that it has been found expedient to exempt small quantities of Carbide of Calcium, when Kept under certain Conditions, from Order in Council of 26th February, 1897, a Copy of which accompanied the Circular letter addressed to You on 31st March last.

An

An Order, Copy of Which is enclosed, has accordingly been made by Her Majesty in Council prescribing the quantity of Carbide of Calcium which may be so Kept without a licence

I am, Gentlemen
Your Obedient Servant.
D. Harrell.

At the Court at Windsor, the 7th day of July 1897.

Present.

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

Carbide of Calcium

Whereas it is expedient to exempt small quantities of Carbide of Calcium, when Kept under Certain Conditions, from the operation of the Order in Council of the 26th February, 1897, in Virtue of which Certain parts of Petroleum Acts, 1871, to 1881, are applied to Carbide of Calcium in the same Manner as if the said substance were petroleum, to which the Act applies:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order and prescribe that notwithstanding anything to the Contrary in the said Order in Council, the quantity of Carbide of Calcium which may be Kept without a licence shall be as follows:—

(a) Where it is Kept in seperate substantial Hermetically closed Metal Vessels containing not more than 1 lb each — — 5 lbs.

(b) Where it is Kept otherwise — none.

and the said Order in Council shall be

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be deemed to be amended accordingly
C. S. Reel.

Cross in Irishtown Proposal — J Connolly for repairing it accepted.

The following proposal was read — I propose to repair the stonework back under the Cross in Irishtown — that is to build up all the holes in the Masonwork, and generally repair it and point the base of it with Cement I will supply all materials and workmanship and finish the work to your Satisfaction for the Sum of £2-5-0 Two pounds five Shillings

Ord

I am Gentlemen
Sincerely Yours
James Connolly

Ordered — that James Connellys proposal for repairing the Cross in the Irishtown be accepted.

Fair Gate proposal for repairs J Connolly not accepted

Another Proposal was received from James Connolly for repairing the standing part of Fair Gate for the sum of £15-0-0

This proposal was not accepted, being deemed too high. The further Consideration of the subject was adjourned.

Manure — Proposal E Browne accepted

A proposal was read from Mr Edward Browne, Ametown for five heaps of Manure @ 22/6 per heap.

Ordered — that Edward Brownes proposal for five heaps of Manure @22/6 per heap be

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be accepted.

The following was read.

Irish Cattle Traders & Stock Owners' Association.
Prussia Street Dublin, August 9th, 1897.

Committee meeting every Thursday

Dear Sir,

I am instructed by the Committee of this Association to forward to you the accompanying resolution, passed unanimously at their last meeting, with the request that your Board will oblige by making a public pronouncement upon it, and if that pronouncement be in agreement with the views expressed in the Resolution, I am to ask that you will be so good to forward such pronouncement to the Lord Lieutenant, his Chief Secretary, and the Secretary of State for War:

Irish Cattle Trade Circular

"That this meeting strongly protests against the Government's decision to Continue supplying the Troops and Troop-horses stationed in Ireland with imported produce, while produce of better quality can be obtained at home. We Consider that as Taxpayers, Ratepayers, and employers, the inhabitants of this Country are entitled to Government Custom. We also declare that it is unfair that an Imperial System of Accounts should debit Ireland with an expenditure which does not pass through Irishmen the hands of Irishmen, but is exported to Countries competing with Irish products, whereby the Taxes paid by the Irish people are utilized to encourage foreign Competition.

That Copies of this Resolution be forwarded to

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~~to~~ the Lord Lieutenant, his Chief Secretary, the Secretary for War, and the various Irish public bodies."

The Committee would also be glad if Your Board would pass a resolution based upon the following paragraph, which is taken from the report of their last weekly meeting:—

Irish Cattle Trade Resolution

— "The Meeting observed with regret that the parliamentary Committee on the Agricultural Produce Bill were unable in the time at their disposal to take all the evidence tendered on the measure, and reported the Bill without amendment to the House, recommending the re-appointment of the Committee early next Session, as they were favourable to the Registration of Sellers of foreign meat. The Meeting Cordially endorse that view, being satisfied that meat should be sold for what it is."

I am, Dear Sir
Yours truly
Thomas Sherlock, Secretary.

The Town Clerk
New Ross.

Adopted.

Proposed by W Kennedy
Seconded by W Hunt,

That the Resolution be adopted, and the suggestions in the Communication Carried out. Passed Unanimously

A Communication was read from W P. Balger saying

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Large Room ~~Proposal~~ Application Balger. granted

saying – I shall feel obliged for use of Large room on usual terms for the purpose of holding a property sale on Tuesday next the 14th inst.

Ordered – That the use of the Room be given to Mr Balger to hold the Auction for 5/-.

Mr Balgers application was dated 11th inst. but no meeting being held on the 11th inst.

the following was read.

Rathsaran Glebe, 5th August 1897

Cockpit Lane building front Letter Rev Dr Cox

Dear Sir,

As I have before stated I wont Sell the ground, but will let it at Twelve Pounds per annum, or one Shilling per foot.

Yours truly
John Gobin
Town Clerk.

Very Sincerely
Elliott E. Cox.

To order made.

Esne Shoots Tholsel Clerks report

The Clerk reported that the State of the Esne shoots at the South side of the Tholsel Roof were in a very bad condition. The Water flows down in such a way as to damage a small house belonging to Luke Connors, and it was also damaging the Wall of the Tholsel, as the water is soaking through the wall.

Clerk to get Geo Ryan to do work required

Ordered – That the Clerk ask Mr A. Cullen to get George Ryan to do what is required with the shoots to prevent the leakage into L. Connor's Yard, and damage to the Tholsel.

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Humane Society Honorary Testimonial to Mr Reddy for saving a boy from Drowning

The Clerk ~~stated~~ that Mr Daniel Sunderland Block-house called to the Office and ~~stated~~ that he had received a Communication from the Secretary to the "Royal Humane Society" stating that it would be well to have the following Certificate should be presented to the Receiver William Reddy, at the meeting of a public Body. He left the following Honorary Testimonial to be presented By the Town Commissioners.

Copy.

Royal Humane Society.

~~Instituted~~ 1774.

~~Supported~~ by Voluntary Contributions.

Patron

Her Majesty the Queen.

Vice Patrons

H. R. H. the Duke of York. K. G. &c

H. R. H. the Duke of Cambride, K. G. G. C. M. C.

President

His Grace the Duke of Argyll. K. G. K. T.

At a Meeting of the Committee of the Royal Humane Society, held at their Office, 4 Trafalger Square, on the ~~13th~~ 15th day of July 1897. Present

Vice Admiral Geo. D. Morans in the Chair.

It was Resolved Unanimously — That William

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Humane Society

William Reddy is justly entitled to the Honorary Testimonial of this Society inserted on Vellum, which is hereby awarded him, for having on the 14th June 1897, gone to the rescue of J. A. Tobin, who was in imminent danger of drowning in the Barrow at New Rd, and whose life he gallantly saved.

Argyll, President.

J. C. Claughton
Secretary.

Geo. D. Morant, Chairman

Humane Society Testimonial referred to Harbour Comm^rs for presentation

After some Conversation it was decided that the Harbour Commissioners was the body through wich the testimonial should be presented. The Clerk was directed to keep the Testimonial and present it at the next Meeting of the Harbour Commissioners.

The Consideration of the Communication from the Irish Financial Reform League were adjourned with the report on the Morgue at the Sanitary Meeting.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 25th August 1897.

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1897 — Wednesday 25th August — A meeting of the Town Commissioners, acting as the New Rop Urban Sanitary Authority to be held this day to transact business pursuant to the Public Health (Ireland) Act 1878

Written in Sanitary Minutes

Members in attendance — Mess —

Matthew J. Finn, Chairman
Matthew Hutchinson
Peter J. Byrne
James Dowling

A Quorum not having assembled the meeting was adjourned to Friday 27th August 1897.

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Wednesday 25th August — A meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee to be held this day at ½ O'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 — Present — Mess —

Matthew J. Finn Chairman
Matthew Hutchinson
Peter J. Byrne
James Dowling

A Quorum not having assembled the meeting was adjourned to Friday 27th August 1897.

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Friday 27th August — An Adjourned Weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after ½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland Act 1854. Also, "To Consider and decide on Important Communications respecting the Telephone Trunk System for the County of Wexford". Present — Messrs —

Matthew J. Finn, Chairman, in the Chair
Patrick Kennedy
Peter Murphy
Peter John Byrne
James Dowling

Cheques were issued for the following amounts £ —

96 Weekly Bill 25th Inst —— —— £5-13-0

97 Moran Brothers amt of a/c for blasting powder &c 7.6.2

Collector naming a Surety

A Communication was read from Mr McGrath Collector saying, as one of My Sureties have died, I beg to submit Mr Thomas Higgins John Street Newtops to substitute him.

Ordered — That Thomas Higgins Thos Higgins Newtops Shopkeeper be accepted as Mr McGrath's second Surety — That the matter be referred to Messrs — Colfer and Gethin to have the new Surety properly inserted in the Bond, the Collector to pay the legal expense Connected therewith.

Letter Anne Connors reply to Whitty as to assurance &c

A Communication was read from Anne Connors, Goat Hill, in reply to a letter from Edward Whitty, read at Meeting held on the 18th August, She stated — I being the person referred to in

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Letter Anne Connors marked "read."

in the letter written by Edward Whitty of Fair Gate to your last meeting of the Town Commissioners, Complaining of My Conduct in annoying him, beg respectfully to say that I in no way annoyed ~~him~~ this Man or his family but it seems from this Man and his wife's Conduct lately that they are doing all they Can to intimidate me into quarelling ~~with~~ them for no reason ~~whatever~~ Whatsoever as I never had an angry word ~~with~~ them in my life.

If the Town Commissioners would inquire into this Matter from Whittys neighbours they could easily find out who are the parties who are giving most annoyance in this neighbourhood I would Confidently await the result.

I remain Gentlemen Your obt Servant
Anne Connors

Ordered — That Anne Connors' Communication be marked "read".

Messrs Colfer & Gethins Letter Fee Farm Grant for Rev Wm Carr

The following was read.

New Rob. Offices 25th August 1897.

Dear Sir,

The Rev Elliott E Carr of Rathtaran Glebe, Queen's County has written me inquiring the Cause of the delay in getting a fee farm Grant of the premises in Cockpit Lane which he holds from the Commissioners under a lease for lives renewable for ever. As the

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Fee Farm Grant the Rev. W. Carr

of such a lease, he is entitled to a fee farm grant, as I think me advised the Commissioners over a year ago. If the Commissioners neglect or refuse to make the grant, Mr Carr can compel them to make it by proceedings in Chancery, We can see no reason why the matter should not be closed. The expense in connection with the grant must be paid by Mr Carr.

Yours, truly
Colfer & Gethin

John Robin
Town Clerk New Ross.

Fee Farm Grant to be given to Rev. W. Carr

Ordered – That the Fee Farm grant be given to the Rev Elliott & Carr, of the premises which he holds from the Town Comrs in Cockpit Lane. That Messrs – Colfer & Gethin see that the Commissioners' interests are looked after in the matter.

A Communication was read from the Secretary to the New Ross Gas Company asking for a Cheque for £63 — due for last half season's gas.

Collector to Attend with Collections

Ordered – That the payment be adjourned; that the Collector be requested to attend with Collecting the amounts due to the Commissioners

Public Lighting by Lamps Clerk's Report

The Clerk reported that it was time to advertise for tenders for lighting the public Lamps of the Town, which have usually Commenced on the 15th September

Ordered – That the issue of advertisments be deferred

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as some new arrangements or Conditions are Considered desirable to be entered into for having the Town more satisfactorily lighted.

The following was read:

Registered No 109,645

Any reply should bear this number and should be addressed
The Secretary
General Post Office.

General Post Office London
23rd August 1897.

Telephone for the County Wexford and New Ross.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 24th August 1896, enclosing a Copy of a Resolution passed by the Town Commissioners ~~Offic~~ of New Ross on the subject of the extention of the Telephone Trunk System to the South East of Ireland, I am directed by the Postmaster-General to acquaint You, for the information of the Town Commissioners, that the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury have now sanctioned the provision of a Trunk Circuit from Dublin to Waterford, passing through Wicklow, Arklow and Wexford.

Letter General Post Office

I am to add that it is understood that, in the event of the National Telephone Company succeeding in establishing an Exchange at New Ross, they will Connect that place with Waterford by means of a junction Circuit. Subscribers at New Ross will thus be enabled to obtain trunk Communication with the rest of the System.

I am
Sir
your obedient Servant
John Mason

The Town Clerk
New Ross.

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Telephone Trunk Line clerk Report

The Clerk stated that on receipt of the Communication read from the General Post Office, he wrote to Mr Ennis. Crescent Quay Wexford the Originator of the Movement for obtaining the Telephone Trunk System for the South East of Ireland, and enclosed to him Copy of the letter received from the General Post Office. In reply he (Clerk) received the following Telegram and letter

Tel. Ex. Wexford. Aug. 25th.

To John Tobin Town Clerk New Ros.

Telephone Telegrams from Mr Ennis Wexford

Writing you fully but find my letter posted today Cannot reach you until to morrow am looking Carefully after interest of New Ros in Connection with Telephone scheme recommended Commissioners to adjourn Consideration until next Meeting Ennis

Letter

Telephone Trunk Line Letter Mr Ennis

Crescent Quay Wexford Aug 25th 1894

John Tobin, Esqr Town Clerk, New Ros.

Dear Sir,

I am extremely obliged for Your letter of Yesterdays date, enclosing Copy of Communication from General Post Office. Land on respecting the Telephone Trunk Line.

It is of Course absolutely essential that any Town desiring Trunk Communication should possess a Telephone Exchange, and When making any Statement befor the Post-master General in March Last, I intimated that if the Post office would undertake to Connect New Ros, I on my part would undertake

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Letter M Ennis

undertake to provide a Sufficient number of Exchange Subscribers at New Ross to form an exchange.

The route for Trunk line adopted by the Post Office goes direct from Wexford to Waterford, leaving New Ross to one side, but the Post Office Scheme is that ~~Enniscorthy~~ New Ross may obtain a Connection by a junction wire & be erected by the National Telephone Compa - ny between New Ross and Waterford in the same way that Enniscorthy will obtain Connection through Wexford, by means of the junction Wire already existing between these Towns.

I am in Communication with the National Telephone Company on the Subject, and have offered to provide them with an Exchange at New Ross forthwith, if they will guarantee me the junction Wire. Should this fail I shall endeavour to induce the Post Office to grant a branch Connection to New Ross, from a Convenient point on the Waterford Wexford line, and in any Case You may rely upon me to use my best exertions in the interests of New Ross in the matter. I wired You to day as per Confirmation, and shall advise You the moment I have further information

Yours faithfully
M. A. Ennis.

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A Conformation Copy of the Telegram was also received with the letter.

Proposed by Mr Murphy
Seconded by Mr Kennedy -

Telephone Trunk Line

Vote of thanks to Mr Ennis

That our best and grateful thanks are due and hereby given, to Michael A. Ennis Esqr. J.P., Ardcavah, Wexford, for originating the Scheme of a Telephone Trunk Line for the South East of Ireland, and for the marked ability, and untiring energy, displayed by him for the past three years, during which time, he had from time to time been met with almost disheartening difficulties, that would be sufficient to cause many smart men to abandon the enterprise; Yet, he persevered, and overcame all the impediments and difficulties, and now can enjoy an unusual satisfaction in Contemplating the prospective benefit that will be derived by the public, from his successful efforts.

Passed Unanimously.

Omission - Ordered - that a Mark of Appreciation be issued to Mr Ennis for the Services rendered by the Council.

Ordered - that the Clerk transmit a Copy of the foregoing Resolution to Mr Ennis.

The further Consideration of the Subject was deferred.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 1st September 1897

Jno Grimm
Chairman

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Wednesday 1st September — A weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Commissioners held this day after ½ O'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Also — "To Consider on arrangements respecting the public lighting of the Town". Present — Messrs —

Matthew J. Finn, Chairman, in the Chair
Henry G. Hinson
Peter J. Byrne
David Murphy
Patrick Hunt.

99 The weekly Bill amounts to —— £5.12.4

Tholsel — Eve Shoots & Cullens Report

Clerk's Report — On Saturday 28th August Mr A. Cullen inspected the Eve shoots &c at South side of the Tholsel, after which he Called to the Office and stated, that the Eve shoots in use at present are defective and rotted. That the South Wall of the Tholsel is becoming seriously injured by the rain soaking into the wall.

He stated that from the amount of water falling on the Whole of the roof of the Tholsel passing to the shoot at the south side, the present One is insufficient in size to Carry away the water properly. That special Eve shoots &c of sufficient size should be ordered. From the damage sustained by the wall, he said it will require to be well Coated ~~with~~ Cement

He said he believed it was a matter that required the immediate attention of the Commissioners.

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John Robin, Town Clerk.

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Ordered - That Mr Cullen be requested to prepare a specification of the work required to be done at the South side of the Tholsel to allow the rain water falling on the roof to be properly conveyed away, so as not to cause injury to any place, and to repair the damage done to the South wall of the Tholsel, and prevent any damage from the same cause in the future.

Ens Shoots to J Cullen to prepare a Specification

A proposal for the Tenancy of the Pound was read from Jeremiah Corbet, Nunnery Lane, at the yearly rent of five Shillings.

Pound proposal J Corbet

That as Pound Keeper, he would discharge his duties with care and Caution, to the best of his ability to all whom it might concern.

That he thought it would be necessary to build sheds for animals impounded, so that they might come out as good as they went in

Ordered - That Jeremiah Corbett's proposal for the Tenancy of the Pound be accepted, if he consents to take the Pound at £ per month, and applies to the Magistrates in Petty Sessions for a licence to authorize him to act as Pound Keeper, and enter into a bond with two Sureties for the fulfilment of the Conditions of this bond; that if he Consents to these Conditions that the Clerk ascertain from the Clerk of Petty Sessions, the particulars respecting the steps that are to be taken, to have J. Corbett legally appointed as Pound Keeper.

Pound - Terms on which J Corbet would be accepted as Tenant

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The following proposal was read from James Connolly, Builder and Carpenter Rionagh Street New Ros.

Gentlemen,

Fair Gate Proposal & Contract for repairs

I propose to repair the building known as the Fair Gate, that is, to build up the large breach in back of it with the stones that came out of it and Cement, and to build up behind with quarry stones in best and formest manner, and to pin up all the holes in the wall with stone and Cement. I will supply all material and workmanship, and finish same to your satisfaction for the sum of Seven Pounds, fifteen Shillings — £7-15-0

Proposal accepted for £7-15-0 for repairs of Fair Gate

Yours faithfully

James Connolly.

Ordered — That James Connollys proposal be accepted.

The following was read.

County Surveyor's Office Wexford

August 26th 1897.

Drain in Cross Lane Letter Co Surveyor authorising drain to be made at South Side

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of Yours of the 24th Instant with reference to the Covered drain in Cross Lane. I authorized the Contractor to make the drain on the South side of the Street as I found it would suit there the purpose for which the drain was applied for at the Road Sessions £7-

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to relieve the surface drainage and prevent flooding of the main street, and in addition to prevent obstruction of the Traffic as much as possible, I thought it more advisable not to make the drain down the Centre of the street.

If your Board have any objections to the Course I have adopted, I shall be glad to get their views in the matter and shall be willing to meet their views as much as possible.

Yours truly

Henry Webster, M. Inst. C. E.

County Surveyor

W. J. McGuinn

Town Clerk, New Ross.

Public Lamps for the ensuing year

Ordered — That Advertisements be issued inviting proposals for lighting the Public lamps with Gas or Oil from the 15th September 1897 to the 15th April 1898, and for the lighting of the usual number of lamps during the dark night in the Summer of 1898.

The Advertisements to be in the usual Form.

Quarry at East side of Creywell Road

Clerk shewed Receipt &c

The Clerk, by desire, submitted to the meeting, documents Connected with the Tenancy of the quarry at the East side of Creywell Road, held by the Town Commissioners from Cheny Brothers, at 2/6 per annum.

The Clerk was directed to pay the rent due to 25th March 1897.

Quarry Creywell

Ordered that Clerk write to J Fitzgerald requiring him to pay 10/- per annum

Ordered — That the Clerk write to John Fitzgerald requiring him to pay 10/- per annum for the use

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use he is making of the Quarry at East side
Quarry Creywell & Fitzgerald of the Creywell Road, and rent at the same
Rate since he began to occupy it: that if
he does not Comply with this Condition of
Tenancy and pay the rent named, that he be
required to remove his materials therefrom.

Mrs Tottenham Presentation Committee appeal for use of Office & hold Meetings for preparing address &c

The Clerk stated that the Committee appointed
at a public Meeting, to prepare an Address
and make a presentation to Miss Isabell Katherine Tottenham
daughter to Col. Tottenham Ballycurry, on
Congratulation on her Marriage with Capt. Casement
had desired him (Clerk) to present the reque-
-est of the Committee to the Town Commissioners,
for permission to hold a few Meetings in
the Commissioners, Office, to make preparations
for the presentation for which the Committee had
been appointed.

Request that Committee be allowed to meet in Office

Ordered — That the Committee be granted
permission to hold their Meetings for the
purpose of preparing the Address and
making the arrangements deemed necessary in
reference thereto.

The Meeting was adjourned to
Wednesday 8th September 1897

Jn J Dinn
Chairman

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1897 — September — Monday 6th September — Monthly Meeting day. No attendance of Members.
The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 8th September 1897

1897 — September 7th — Tuesday 7th September — A meeting of the Contracts Committee to be held this day at 11 Oclock A.M. To Confer with the County Surveyor's Assistant W Jones, respecting the work at the Footpath at High Hill. Present — Mesrs —
Matthew Hutchinson
Edward Mikella.
Mr Jones was also in attendance

High Hill & Path

Committee & C Surveyor shoreland met and agreed to number of steps &c

The Members met W Jones and pceeded to Footpath and Examined the Plan prepared for the Application of the presentment at the presenting Sessions in Clonroche
The Members agreed that 5 steps be fixed above Byrnes Landing. 5 in the Centre of the stretch from Byrnes up to Murphys. Two at Murphys Landing One at Quinlans. One at Nolans. One at Cloneys. Total 15 added steps.

1897 — September 8th — Wednesday 8th September. A meeting of the Urinals & Morgue Committee to be held this day at 11 Oclock P.M. to Consider the Report of the Medical Officer of Health respecting the necessary arrangement of a Morgue presented. 20th May 1887. No attendance of Members.
The Meeting was adjourned.

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1897 — September 8th

Wednesday 8th September — A weekly and an adjourned Monthly meeting of the Town Commissioners, held this day after 7 o'clock P.M., to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Present — Mesrs —

Matthew J Finn Chairman, in the Chair
Matthew Hutchinson
Patrick Kennedy
David Murphy
Peter Murphy

181 The weekly Bill amounted to ——— £6.6.3

After some Conversation on the lighting of the public lamps on the Quay being taken up by the Harbour Commissioners, the following Order was passed —

Public Lamps Clerk to write Harbour Comrs. to take down lamps on Quay over

That the Clerk write to the Harbour Commissioners requesting that they will take over the lighting of the following lamps lights on the Quay — viz —

The lamp opposite Coopers Lane, the lamp at the Fish house Corner of the Herring dock, and the light at the Privy.

The lamp opposite Cooper's Lane, and the present arrangement of the privy light having been made after accidents occurring, and there being no light at the dock part of the Quay, nor ~~dock~~ outside the privy, and no Harbour Board, in existence at the time.

Public Lights

The following proposals were read

New Ross Gas Company, Limited. 4th Sept. 1897.

To the New Ross Town Commissioners.

Gentlemen

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Public Lamps
Proposals
Gas Company

Gentlemen,

I propose on behalf of the NewRoss Gas Company Limited, to light your Public Lamps for seven months from 15th September 1897 to the 15th April 1898 (same five nights each moon, that is two nights before, two night after, and the night of the full Moon) at £2-14-0 per lamp for 15 lamps lighting all night and £1-14-0 per lamp for 44 lamps extinguished at 11 o'clock p.m..

The lamp at the School, to be charged at the rate of £5. per annum.

I propose to use a 4 feet per hour burner sample of which I sent you.

The lamps to be supplied by the Gas Company and kept in repair as before.

I am Gentlemen
Your obedient Servant
David Hunt
Secretary.

Summer Lighting

NewRoss Gas Company, Limited 4th Sept. 1897.

To the Chairman NewRoss Town Commissioners.

Gentlemen,

I propose on behalf of the NewRoss Gas Company, Limited, to light the public lamps for five Months from the 15th April 1898, to the 15th September 1898 at £1. per lamp, for 15 lamps lighting all night

I am Gentlemen
Your obedient Servant
David Hunt
Secretary

P. S. I cannot give you the Candle power as

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as we have no appliance for testing it, but from the quality of the Coal to be used I have no hesitation in saying that the light supplied will give general satisfaction

Public lighting proposals acc^d

Ordered. That the proposals for lighting the public Lamps from the 15th September 1897. to the 15th April 1898, be accepted. Also, that the proposal for lighting the lamps fifteen lamps to be Kept lighted all night from the 15th April to the 16th September 1898, be accepted.

Public Lighting

Gas Co^y to send supplimental proposal — Five Nights at ✱ Moon

Ordered — That the Clerk write to the Gas Company requesting them to send to the Town Commissioners' next meeting, a supplemental proposal for the lighting of the lamps during the five nights excepted, in the proposals accepted, — Viz — The two nights before, the two night after full Moon, and the night of the full moon.

The following was read.

Leamore Union, 3rd September 1897.

Dear Sir

I beg to send you Copy of a Resolution passed by the Board of Guardians of this Union at their Meeting on the 1st Instant. Yours truly, M. Healy, Clerk.

Leamore Union Circular

To the Town Clerk, New Ross.

Copy

Proposed by Wm John Stafford

Seconded by Mr Alexander Heskin, and Unanimously

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Resolved.—

Resolution Union

That we deem it the duty of all Public Bodies in the Country to impress on the Government as strongly as they can the present unfortunate Condition of the Harvest and the fact that we must face the probable total loss of the potatoe Crop this year.

Circular

Re Seed question

We therefore Call on the Government— 1st— to take measures to provide for the poorer Classes a supply of seed potatoes in the ensuing spring—

2nd— for a prompt re-adjustment of the judicial Rents, so as to enable Farmers in General to tide over the results of what now must be regarded as a most disasta—ous harvest and

3rdly — that they bring pressure on the Landlords of future Tenants to give suitable abatements.

Copies of this Resolution to be forwarded to the Chief Secretary of Ireland and the various public bodies in the Country.

Ordered — That the Resolution be unanimously adopted.

Quarry Cherry Road

The Clerk submits Receipt for Rent

The Clerk submitted the receipt for the Rent of the quarry at East side of Greywell road.

Ordered — That the Clerk write to John Fitzgerald, Cockpit Lane, New Rop, stating that

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That if does not pay one shilling per
month as monthly Tenant to the Town Commi
Quarry Creywell — sioners for the quarry at East side of Creywell
& Fitzgerald Road, and pay at the same rate, for the
to Pay 1/- per time during which he has kept material
month or deposited there, he will be required to
remove his Materials remove his materials therefrom.
therefrom

A note was read from a man named
Weigh bridge George Lanigan, dated 5th Rep. 7th September
Letter Lanigan — saying — I must make a report of the Weigh
Master on the Quay transacts his business
for his bad Conduct in Keeping peeples all
day of a very wet day, until their loads of
straw get unsealable, and severely lost in
that transaction. I appeal to the Commissioners
to remedy that grievance, that's an injury
to themselves, and double injury to us Farmers
that's supporting the Town, and you should
see us get fair play. I remain Yours truly
George Lanigan, that Can prove this on
oath.

Weigh Bridge Ordered — That the Clerk Write to Wm
Clerk to write to B. Maher, Tenant for the Weigh bridge, stating
Wm Maher that ~~the Commissioners~~ Complaints received
by the Town Commissioners to the effect that
that persons having goods to weigh at the
Weigh bridge, are at times Kept waiting,
sometimes in bad Weather, on account of
no person being in the Weigh bridge to
Weigh

weigh their goods. That the Commissioners Cannot allow the weigh bridge to be Kept in such a manner as to be the Cause of persons being delayed in the transaction of their business.

Market — Ordered — That the members be notified to attend the meeting to be held on Wednesday 22nd September 1897, to Consider the desirability of having a Market house erected in this Town.

The following was read.

Offices New Ross, 7th September 1897.

Dear Sir,

Fee Farm grant to Rev M Can — We beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 3rd inst. and will give the matter to which you refer our early attention.

Yours truly

John Kehoe — Colfer & Gethin.

Town Clerk New Ross.

The foregoing referred to Communications respecting the order that a Fee Farm Grant be given to the Rev M Can, and the substitution of a new Surety for the Collector

Thatched South Side Specification from A Cullen — A Specification of the work to be done at the South Side of the Thatched, to Convey the rain water away Safely was read from M A Cullen. It provided removal of the old gutters and hooks — to provide new gutter hooks made of Wrought Iron, with strong stay bar, to Carry heavy Six inch half round

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Tholsel — Specification by A Cullen

ere gutters, with all necessary stop ends drops, angles, &c with Coat of paint on both sides, to be fixed, so as that the ere slates will drop into the Center, and prevent slashing. The water to be Carried away in a 3in inch down pipe, with Swan neck hoppers &c; the Gutter hooks to be spaced not more than six feet apart. The old down pipe and hopper which is at present attached to the house occupied by Mr Luke Connor to be removed, and a stop end put in shoots at this end and if necessary a splash box to be fastened on the Gutters in order to guard against the rush of water from the lead Gutter Way.

The rear wall of the Tholsel to have all the old plaster hacked off and prepared for Cementing which is to be done in the best Manner, neatly hand floated and finished. Cement to be guage 2 parts Clean washed Sand to one part Cement Any damage done to the adjoining houses or Premises to be repaired and made good at the expense of the Contractor. The eave gutters hooks and down pipes to get two Coats of paint on Completion of work. Should there appear to be any defect in the eve slates when the old Gutters are removed, same is to be made good.

The whole to be done in the best and most Workmanlike manner and to the full satisfaction

Satisfaction of the Commissioners — the Contractor is not to be paid for one month after Completion, and should any defect appear within that time, Contractor is to make it good.

New Rop
8th September 1897.

Andrew Cullen

Tholsel Sheets &c
&c to be advertised

Ordered — That Advertisements be issued inviting proposals for the Completion of the work required at South side of the Tholsel in accordance with the specification, which can be seen during office hours, in the Town Commissioners' Office..

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 15th September 1897.

Jno Dixon
Chairman

1897 — September 8th

Tuesday 14th September — A Meeting of the Mirinals and Morgue Committee, to be held this day at 11 Oclock A. M. — To Consider the Report of the Medical Officer of Health respecting the necessary arrangement of a Morgue presented 20th May 1897.

The Only member in attendance was Mr P. J. Byrne.

A Quorum not having assembled. the Meeting was adjourned.

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1897 — September 15th — Wednesday 15th September — ~~Minutes~~ A Weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee to be held this day after ½ Oclock P. M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Mr Peter J. Byrne was the Only Member in attendance.

A Quorum not having attended the Meeting was adjourned ~~to Thursday~~ 16th September 1897.

1897 — September 16th — Thursday 16th September — A Weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee to be held this day after ½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 — Also - "To Consider a Notice of the appointment of a Master for Lunatic Hospital"

Mr Peter J Byrne was the only member in attendance.

A Quorum not having assembled, the meeting was adjourned to Friday 17th September 1897.

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September 17th 1897 — Friday 17th September — An Adjourned meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 4 Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. — Also- "To Consider a Notice of the appointment of a Master for Trinity Hospital" Members present- Messrs —

Matthew J. Finn. Chairman, in ~~this~~ Chair.
Edward Muskella
Peter J. Byrne
Patrick Kennedy
James Dowling

Cheques were issued for the following amounts

103 Weekly Bill — £5-7-8

to 104 Cheque

105 New Ros Gas Company amt. of a/c. rendered being in full to the 15th April 1897 — 63-0-0

Telephone Branch for New Ros: Mr Ennis Called to Office & report on

Clerks Report — On this day, Mr Ennis, Wexford, Called to the Office, and stated that he had succeeded in getting the required number of Subscriber for New Ros District branch, to have New Ros Connected with the Telephone Trunk Line..

John Kobin, Town Clerk.

September 15th 1897.

The following was read.

Priory St. New Ros. 15th September 1897.

The New Ros Town Commissioners.

Gentlemen,

Thobel South side repairs Proposal & Casualty

Estimate for repairs to Tholsel.

I propose to supply and fix up the the New Shoots, Cement back Wall &c. in accordance with the Specification &c.

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for the Sum of £9-0-0 nine pounds.

Yours Faithfully

James Connolly

Thalsel South Side Proposal & Cannolly £9-0-0 Accepted

Proposed by Mr Mikella

Seconded by Mr Dowling – That James Cannolly's Proposal for supplying new Ese shoots, &c and for Cementing the South side of the Thalsel be accepted at the Sum of Nine Pounds sterling, he to supply all materials and labour, and perform all the work in accordance with the Specification which be read in this office. Passed Unanimously.

The following was read.

George Trinity Hospital, Notice & Galavan appointed Master.

I hereby inform You that Colonel Charles Cottenham, D.L., representing the Heirs of Thomas Gregory, has elected James Edward Galavan Esqire J.P. Erin Vale, New Ross, in the County of Wexford, to be Master of the Hospital of the Holy Trinity of New Ross, in the room ~~of~~ and place of the said Charles George Cottenham, the former Master.

Dated this 11th day of September 1897

Thos Boyd

Secretary of the said Hospital.

Received, this 13th day of September 1897.

John Gobin.

Clerk to the Town Commissioners of New Ross

To John Gobin

Clerk of the Town Commissioners of New Ross.

Proposed

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Proposed by Mr Mikeska.
Seconded by Mr Dowling

That We assent to,

Trinity Hospital Resolution approving of appointment of J E Galavan

and warmly approve, of the Election of James Edward Galavan, Esquire, J.P., Erin Vale, New Ross, by Charles George Tattenham D.L., representing the Heirs of Thomas Gregory, to be Master of the Hospital of the Holy Trinity of New Ross, in the room and place of the said Charles George Tattenham, the former Master. Passed unanimously.

The following was read.

New Ross Gas Company Limited 14th Sept. 1897.

To

The New Ross Town Commissioners

Gentlemen,

Gas Co's Proposal for Lamps to be Kept lighting during Full Moon

I propose on behalf of above Company to light the public lamps on the nights mentioned in Mr Lakins letter Viz:- "Two nights before, the night of the full moon, and two nights after, from 15th September 1897, to 15th April 1898 at six shillings and eight pence per lamp for 44 lamps, extinguished at 11 o'clock P.M. and ten shillings and eight pence per lamp for 15 lamps lighting all night.

I also propose on behalf of this Company to light the 15 lamps during the nights above mentioned, at three shillings and eleven pence per lamp from 15th April 1898 to 15th Sept 1898.

Your obedient Servant
D. Hurst, Secretary.

Ordered — That the Consideration of the proposal

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Gas Coy
Proposals
Supplemental Proposal deferred to next meeting

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proposal from the Gas Company be adjourned to next meeting, that the Members be noticed to attend to Consider the Subject of the Supplimental proposal for the lighting of the lamps during the fine nights at each full Moon.

The following was read

Harbour Commissioners' office New Ross 16th Sept 1897.

Dear Sir,

Received your letter of the 15th Inst. re lighting the 2 quays.

2 quay Lamps to be lighted by Hr Comrs

In reply I beg to inform you that I submitted your letter to the Harbour Board, and the following Order was passed by the Board of Harbour Commissioners on Sept. 15th as follows.

Hr Comrs take over lamps at Coopers Lane and opposite Quays

Ordered — That the Secretary Write to the Town Commissioners, that the Harbour Commissioners have taken over the lighting of the lamp opposite Coopers Lane and lamp opposite Quay Street.

I remain dear Sir, Yours respectfully

To John Gorman Esq. Town Clerk. Matthew J. Kearns
Sec. to said Harbour Comrs.

Letter Coopers Rent Enclosing Cheque £24-

The following was read.

The Leland, Sept. 15th 1897.

To the Presiding Chairman of the New Ross Town. Commrs

Gentlemen,

I beg to enclose Cheque for £24-0-0 being amt. of one half years Rent, which now

leases due, one years rent due up to and ending 25th March 1897. I need not tell ~~you~~ Gentlemen of experience that it took all my time these bad times, to pay three half years rent in six months time. Thanking You for Your past Kindness.

I remain, Your obt Servt
R.J. Thorpe

The Clerk was directed to hand Mr Thorpe's Cheque to the Collector.

The following was read.

98 Centenary Committee City Hall Dublin,
Sept 8th 1897.

98 Centenary Circular from Centenary Committee Dublin

Dear Sir,

We beg to inform you that at a Meeting of the General Executive, held here on the 4th inst. You were elected a Member of the Executive Council.

You are particularly requested to attend the next Meeting of the Council, which will be held here on Saturday next, 11th inst. at 5 oclock P.M..

Yours faithfully
M.J. Quin
P. Lavelle
P.J. O'Loughlin
E.R. Whelan
P. Tobin
P. White.
Hon. Secs.

Omission — See Inspector's Report and order page 643.

Inspectors Report

To Order made.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 22nd September 1897.

Jno J Dixon
Chairman

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1894 — Monday 20th September — A meeting of the
September 25th Labourers Dwellings Committee to be held this
day at 4 Oclock P.M. to Confer with Mr
Boyd respecting the Terms of the letting
of the building ground between William
Street and Cross Lane.

Labourers Dwellings Committee to Meet Mr Boyd to Quorum Clerk to inform Mr Boyd

Members in attendance — Messrs —
Edward Mikella
Patrick Kennedy.

As a Quorum had not assembled the Clerk was directed to Call to Mr Boyd and inform him that as a Quorum had not assembled the Committee Could not Confer with him.

Mr Boyd suggested that if at the weekly meeting to be held on the 22nd an appointment be agreed on for the Committee to meet and that he was informed of the time, he Could and would meet the Committee on any day next week.

Omission supplied. This report placed Report order should have been inserted at end of meeting page 642.

Sept 18th Street Inspectors Report — I took out Summonses for James Harney and Mrs Elizabeth Walsh, fish dealers for refusing to take their fish Cars down to the Fish Market on the Quay, on this day.

Streets Blocked Complaint of State of Channel at Barrack Lane — Mary St.

Mr Bryan Hennessy of South street Complained to me that the Channel in Mary street at Barrack Lane is so low that Car men refuse to bring up heavy loads to his store for him I told him that I would report the matter to the Meeting.

William Carty states that he will want another

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another man to assist at the work of the High Hill footpath. I left Scanlan with him for the last few days, after ten Oclock.

Dr B Kennessy & apply to Contractor for keeping Rds in repair

Ordered – That it is the Contractor for Keeping the streets in repair, and the County official who have the power of making the alterations desired at the Water Channels in Mayett opposite Barrack Lane.

H Hill 7 path & another man to be employed

Ordered – That the Street Inspector employ a man, when required, to assist at the work of the footpath at High Hill.

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Wednesday 27th September – A weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Also – "To Consider the desirability of having a Market House erected in New Row." Also – "To Consider a supplimental proposal for lighting the lamps during the fine nights at full moon."

Members present, Messrs –

Matthew J. Finn Chairman, in the Chair
Michael J. Stephenson
Patrick Kennedy
Matthew Hutchinson
Edward Miskella
Peter Murphy.

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107 The Buckley Bill amounting to £6.4.10

The lighting of the public lamps at ~~the time~~ fine nights at full moon was Considered.

Proposed by Mr Murphy
seconded by Mr Stephenson —

Lamps of Kept 22 of the 44 lamps be selected the Kept lighted

That Twenty two of the 44 lamps extinguished at 11 oclock be selected to be ~~selected~~ lighted ~~to be~~ Kept lighted during each full moon, at 6/8 per lamp.

Passed.

Public Lamps

Ordered — That Messrs — P. Murphy P. Kennedy and M. Hutchinson be appointed

Committee appointed to Select the lamps to be Kept lighted

to inspect the lamps of the Town and to select the lamps to be Kept lighted during the fine night at the full moon. That the Committee meet at 8 oclock P.M. Thursday 23rd September 1897. The Manager of the Gas Company to be asked to be present with the Committee.

5 Dwellings fronting Wm St.

The Clerk stated that when there was not a quorum at meeting of the Committee held on Monday 20th Instant & met Mr Boyd at 4 oclock P.M. he (Clerk) went to Mr Boyd and told him (Mr Boyd) that a Quorum of the Committee had not met. Mr Boyd then said he would meet the Committee ~~Next~~ at any day and time they would fix on, & Confer respecting the

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letting of the ground between William street and Cross Lane, — he to receive due notice of the time the Committee would appoint.

Building ground Wellington St.

Ordered — That the Clerk inform Mr Boyd that the Committee will meet him at 12 o'clock noon on Monday 27th September 1897, or if that time will not suit him, to name another day and hour during next week for the same purpose.

Railing steps Mary St

Ordered — That the Clerk write to the prior of St. Augustin's Church New Rop. requesting him to get a railing fixed outside the steps at the entrance to the Church in Mary street, to prevent accid—ents to persons passing up and down the footpath

The proposed Market House.

Market House

After some Conversation it was

Ordered — That the Clerk write to ~~Mr Boyd~~ Messrs — Calfer & Gethin, — stating that the Town Commissioners have under Consideration, ~~the~~ desirability of building a Market House in the Town, and ask them to state for the information of the Commissioners —

Can the Commissioners borrow Money to build a Market House in the Town, and obtain Bye Laws for the Regulation of the Markets, to enable them to Compel Sellers of different Commodities to be named in the Bye Laws, to enter into and sell,

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Sell and weigh their goods in the Market House, and pay a toll for the use of the Market House, weighing &c Can the Commissioners get the Bye Laws shaped so as to enable them to prosecute persons who may refuse to bring their goods for sale, and weigh them in the Market House, but instead, sell them Outside, and weigh them in private Establishments.

The Clerk reported that the Copies of the present Bye Laws were run out.

Bye Laws Markets & Fairs printed

Ordered — That 100 Copies of the Bye Laws now in use and force be printed for posting and use.

The following was read

Irish Independent League

Irish Independent League

Mayor of Cork, Treasurers. Count Plunket, Dr J. E. Kenny & E. Halohan L.L.
Pat. O'Brien M.P. Wm Field, M.P. Hon Secretaries. Thomas Baker

12 Westmoreland St. Dublin September 1897.

Dear Sir,

We beg to invite the attendance of the Independent Nationalist Members of your Board at the National Convention, to be held at the Antient Concert Rooms, Dublin, on Monday, 11th October (the day after the Parnell Anniversary Demonstration), at Noon

Cards of admission can be obtained on ~~Application~~ Written or personal application

application at this Office every day up to to and including the morning of the Convention

Yours faithfully
R. O'Brien
W. Field
L. Baker
} Hon. Secs.

The Chairman
Town Comm.

To Order made

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 29th September 1897.

Confirmed
Chairman

1897 September 23rd

Thursday 23rd September - A meeting of the Committee appointed to inspect the lamps and select the lamps to be kept lighted at the time of full Moon held this day at 8 o'clock P.M. Present Messrs - Peter Murphy
Matthew Hutchinson
Peter J Byrne also accompanied as Mr Kennedy was not in attendance the Manager of the Gas Works was also present.

The Members proceeded to inspect the Lamps of the Town -

The following lamps were selected to be Kept lighting during the five nights at each full Moon.

Lamps to be Kept lighted during full Moon

1 Entrance to Cherrys Brewery
2 Lamp at entrence to College road
3 Convent Gate at Augustins Church, High Hill
4 Lamp at Fox's Corner Quay
5 Lamp at Lordans House lower end of Cross Lane

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6 Priory St. junction with William St.
7 Bracket Lamp at Top of Michael St.
8 Mary St — at the junction with Bewley St
9 Lamp at Haughton Hospital
10 Lamp at Byrnes Corner above Fair Gate
11 Lamp at Delaneys Irish Town
12 Mary St. lamp at lower end of Chapel Lane
13 Lamp opposite steps at entrance to the Presbyterian Church

The Members recommended that the Lamp at Byrnes Corner above Fair Gate be removed to the other side of the Street

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1897 — Wednesday 29th September — A weekly
September 29th. Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7 o clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Present Meyers —
Matthew J. Finn Chairman, in the Chair.
Peter J. Byrne
Matthew Hutchinson
Peter Murphy
Edward McKella

Cheques were issued for the following amounts —

109 The weekly Bill — £4-13-10
110 C. W. Carr for "Sun" office 4 years premium on Insurance on the Thatched building 18·0

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Sheeamps Mtt Building ground

The Clerk stated that the Committee appointed to meet Mr Boyd respecting the building ground met on Tuesday 28th Inst. at 12 oclock and proceeded to Mr Boyds office he he had not Come to Town Messrs Ellis Kelly, P. Kennedy & Murphy attended.

That Mr Boyd called to the Office and expressed regret at being disappointed in Coming to Town to meet the Committee but would be in Town all day on Thursday 30th September.

It was agreed that the Committee be Summoned to attend on tomorrow at 12 oclock 30th Sept to meet and Confer with Mr Boyd respecting the terms of the letting of the building ground between William Street and Cross Lane at 12 oclock noon sharp

The following was read.

Wexford, Sept 23rd 1897

Dear Mr Chairman

It has been suggested that it would be well if You Called a Public Meeting at an early date, say the first or second week in October — for the purpose of forming a Committee for new Rop to Co-operate with the County Committee in preparing for the Celebration of the "98 Centenary. We therefore bring the matter under your notice, and shall be glad if you kindly act

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act upon the suggestion.

Sincerely Yours
M. J. Furlong
E. O'Cullen } Hon. Secs.

The Chairman
Kew Rep Town Commrs.

Ordered — That the Clerk Write to Messrs. — Furlong & O'Cullen — Stating that the Commissioners ~~would~~ will not loose sight of the subject, and refer them to our Resolution passed on the 28th July last respecting the Centenary of "98.

The following was read

24 Rutland Square, Dublin
September 18th 1897.

Dear Sir,

Allow me lend you Copy of a Resolution unanimously adopted at a Meeting of the Special Committee formed for the purpose of securing a proper presentation of the Case of the tenants before the Royal Commission on the administration of the Land Acts. We would feel obliged by Your bringing this Resolution under the Consideration of the Members of the Board at the earliest opportunity

Yours faithfully
Alfred Webb
Joseph Devlin.

The Town Clerk
Kew Rop.

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Resolution proposed by Mr Webb
seconded by Mr Devlin and ~~passed~~
unanimously adopted:—

"That in view of the widespread
calamity which the Country is
threatened, We request Mr John Dillon, M.P.
and Mr T. C. Harrington, M.P., to seek the
the Co-operation of all the Parliamentary
representatives of Ireland in a joint
requisition to the Leader of the House of
Commons to Convene an immediate
meeting of Parliament with a view
to devising adequate measures of
relief for the destitution which will,
in a very brief time, overtake the small
farmers and Cabourers of the Country, owing
to the disastrous failure of the Potatoe
Crop, and the increasing price of flour
and Indian meal, and with a view
to providing before winter rents are deman-
-ded a measure for the reduction of the
Judicial rents (the great majority of which
untouched by recent legislation) in proportion
to the losses caused to the Irish tenants by the
Wholesale destruction of their Crops and
depreciation in the price of Cattle and
all other agricultural produce, and
further with a view to making provision
for the numerous Class of future tenants
and evicted tenants, which the Land Act
1896 failed to deal with and that
Copies of this Resolution be sent to all

the

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all the Irish Members, and to all
Committee Corporations, Boards of Guardi
in the Country."

Proposed by Mr Byrne
Seconded by Mr Murphy —

That the Resolution
be adopted. Passed Unanimously

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday
" 6th October 1897.

Omission

Ordered that the report from the Kamp Committee
be adopted, and that the Clerk write to the Secretary
of the Gas Co informing him of the order made respecting
the continuance of the lighting of 13 Lamps during
the five nights of the full moon.

Jno J Horan
Chairman

1897 — Thursday 30th September. A meeting of the
September 30th Committee appointed to meet Mr Boyd
and Confer with him respecting the terms of
the letting of the building ground situate
between William Street and Cross Lane, held
this day ~~to~~ at 12 O'clock Noon, in Mr J. T. C.
Boyds Office South Street New Rop.

Members present — Steps —

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— Matthew Hutchinson
Edward Mikella
Patrick Kennedy
Peter Murphy

Artizans Dwellings

She Committee had the interview with Mr Boyd.

Committee ground between Mr St & Cross Lane

The Members explained that their duties were to come to an agreement respecting building ground to be let to them, which is situate between William Street, and Cross Lane, by Col Tottenham. That they were willing to enter into the tenancy on the Conditions stated in the Resolution passed by the Town Commissioners on the 21st July 1897. — "To take the plot of ground situate between William St. and Cross Lane, at the yearly rent of £4, and a lease of 300 years, if Col. Tottenham gives up all Claim on the Commissioners property adjoining it in William Street.

Mr Boyd stated, that Col. Tottenham was satisfied to relinquish all Claim to the Town Commissioners property which is situate between the feeld and William Street.

She Committee asked Mr Boyd if the Commissioners Could make a street or road from William Street to Cross Lane, alongside of the Ground occupied by Philip Gannon, and he replied — That when the lease would be Completed the Commissioners Could do as they liked in that.

It was agreed that the plot of ground be

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be measured, and a descriptive Map prepared and given to Mr Colfer, to prepare the Lease.

Artizans Dwelling Ground. Col Tottenham

Mr Boyd said his rent Collector, I Good measured and prepared Maps for Leases for Col Tottenham, but he (Mr Boyd) did not like so with the view of ~~directing~~ dictating to the Commissioners, who Could get any person to do the mapping. If he did the measuring and mapping, a person representing the Commissioners Could accompany him.

The Meeting adjourned.

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~~Wednesday~~ Monday 4[th] October — ~~A Weekly~~ Monthly Meeting day. No attendance of Members. The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 6[th] October 1897.

1897 — October 6[th]

Wednesday 6[th] October — A weekly, and an adjourned Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners, and of the Street Committee held this day after 7[th] Adjourned R.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Present: Messrs —

Matthew J. Finn, Chairman in the Chair
Michael J. Stephenson
James Dowling
Peter J Byrne

Edward

Edward Miskella
John Butler
Patrick Kennedy
David Murphy

Cheques were issued for the following amts.

113	Weekly Bill ———	£7. 14. 3
114	John Robins. Clerk ¼ Salary due 4th Inst	18. 15. 0
115	N. Harvey & Co amt of a/c for Book &c	1. 18. 6

A Communication was read from the Secretary New Ross Gas Company — saying — Please let me know if the thirteen lamps mentioned in Your letter of the 4th Inst. are to be lighted all night, or extinguished at 11 o'clock P. M. and what was the price per lamp agreed to be paid.

Ordered — That the Clerk inform the Secretary of the Gas Company, that the Eleven O'clock Lamps named in the list are to be Kept lighting until Eleven O'clock, and the All-night Lamps in the list to be Kept lighting all night, during the two nights before the two nights after full moon, and the night of the full moon — five nights. That the Commissioners have not fixed a price for the Gas to be Consumed on the five nights, but of Course expect it will be proportionate to the Charge made for each Class of Lamps for the time they are Kept lighted.

Recommendations Signed by respectable Inhabitants in favour of the following persons being

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recommended to the Governors of Trinity Hospi-
-tal for admission to that Institution.

Widow Leary.
Debora Kough, Spinster.
Mary Anne Ellard, Spinster.
Anne Kavanagh, Spinster.

The following was read.

Offices, New Rop 1st October 1897.

Re Trinity Hospital

Trinity Hospital

Dear Sir,

Anne Kavanagh
Widow of Matthew
Kavanagh

I enclose a signed recommendation on behalf of Anne Kavanagh of Michael street, late of Main Street, Widow of Mathew Kavanagh for her admission as tenant to Trinity Hospital. The original has been sent to the Secretary of the Institution.

I can confidently ask You to recommend her as a fit and proper person to be nominated to this institution

Your Obedient Servant

Wm Francis Browne

The Chairman
New Rop Town Commissioners
New Rop.

Trinity Hospital

Anne Kavanagh
Recommendation
to be placed with
Others

Ordered — That the foregoing recommendation be Kept with the others already received, and produced at the next Meeting at which a Notice for nomination of persons to be recommended to the Governors of Trinity Hospital for admission to that Institution.

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Lamp at Fgate
Letter I
I Fitzgerald

A Communication was read from John Fitzgerald, Cockpit Lane, saying — I am informed that you intend Changing the Gas Lamp which is at present fixed on Mr P. Byrnes House Fair Gate to the other Corner & hope it fixed on Timmons House.

I hope to object very strongly to this Change, as Timmon's house will shade the light, and will throw the front of my premises in darkness where there is such traffic with horses & and Cattle, especially on Fair days. I think I have good reason to object.

I beg to apply for a loan of the Sweeping machine for a day or two. I want to see how much work its able to do and then to make you an offer to hire it from You for the winter season.

Yours truly
John Fitzgerald.

To the Presiding Chairman
Town Commissioners, New Ros.

Letter J Fitzgerald
Lamp not to be put up a Timmons Corner

Ordered — that the Clerk inform John Fitzgerald that the Lamp referred to in his letter, is not to be fixed at Timmons Corner, but at the side of the Street leading up from Fair Gate at the North side. That the Commissioners will not lend or hire the Sweeping Machine but will sell it.

The following was read

North St. New Ros 6th October 1897

Sir, — I beg to make application for the use

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Large Room
Dramatic Clubs
Tenancy

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Use of Large Room, Tholsel, for the New Rep Dramatic Club on the same conditions and at the same rent which you so Kindly let it to us last year.

Yours &c
M. Roche, Hon. Sec.
Dramatic Club.

Ordered — That the use of the Large Room be let to Michael Roche, for the Dramatic Club on same terms as last year.:
Viz:— The rent to be 1/6 per week. — M Roche to provide the light required in the room, by his Club — also, that as in preceding years, the "Boat Club" "Athletic Sports Committee," "Bicyle Clubs", or any other body permitted by the Town Commissioners, be allowed to hold their Meetings in the Room, and also Auctions, during Mr Roche's Tenancy.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 13th October 1897.

D J Morrin
Chairman

Omission — The Report of the Committe at the interview with Mr Boyd respecting the Tenancy of the building ground at William Street entered in page 654 was read.
Ordered — That the building Ground be measured and mapped by J. Lynch and that the Clerk accompany him when doing the measurement.

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Wednesday 13th October. A weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7 o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 Present — Messrs —

Matthew J. Finn Chairman in the Chair,
Edward McKeon
David Murphy.
Patrick Kennedy
Peter J. Byrne
Matthew Hutchinson.

Weekly Bill — — — £6.6.2

Fair Gate

A Communication was read from James Connolly — saying — Gentlemen — I beg to advise you, that I have the repairs to the Fair gate. and the Cross of the Irishtown finished

Remain Gentlemen
Sincerely Yours
James Connolly

The new Rep Town Commissioner Sworn New Rep.

Ordered — That a Committee of inspection be appointed at next Meeting.

Lamp Hill School

Clerks Report = Mr Cobb called and stated that the Lamp at the Hill School had been removed when the Wall fell down, to where it is at present that it would show more light, if it was returned to its former position — particularly to the well, and the passage leading to it from in Brennan's

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Brennans Lane.
October 9th 1894

John Tobin
Town Clerk.

Ordered — That the Lamp at the Hill School be removed to the position it was in before the wall fell down

entered in previous part of Minutes

~~A Communication was received from J. Connolly stating that he had Completed the work at the Fair gate and Cross in the Lighttown~~

~~Ordered — That the Committee — Messrs — P. Kennedy, M. Hutchinson & D. J. Byrne inspect the Work done by J. Connolly and report thereon~~

Ordered — That the attention of the County Surveyor be drawn to the dangerous Condition of the Kerbstones of the footpath in Cross Lane particularly those opposite W. P. Conways House, and that he be requested to have them reset in Order to prevent accident to footpassengers. Priory Lane to be included in the same Order.

Street Inspector's Report — Two boatloads of Limestones will be required for the Bridge. and the Approaches from Bridge street and the Quay.

Ordered — That Advertisements be issued inviting

inviting proposals for the supply of two boatloads of Limestones

The Clerk reported that Mr Burden County Surveyor for the County Kilkenny, when in Town on the 11th Inst. Called and asked if the Town Commissioners would do anything about repairing the flagging in Rosbercon. That he (Clerk) informed Mr Burden that the Sum allowed (£3.-) was too low for the work to be done. That Mr Burden asked to be informed of the amount for which the Commissioners would do the work for.

The Clerk produced the Specification received from Mr Burden which describes the work as follows — "All broken flags on the footpaths on either side of the road between the bridge and the end of the flagged portion opposite the station are to be taken up and replaced by Sound new flags of similar quality, solidly bedded in lime mortar and Carefully set to proper level. There are about 12 Yards Super: to be done."

The Consideration of the Matter was adjourned.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 20th October 1897.

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October 20th 1894 — Wednesday 20th October — A weekly meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committa held this day at 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Members present — Messrs —

Matthew J. Finn, Chairman, in the Chair
Patrick Tierney (took the Commissioners Declaration)
Patrick Gannon (took the Commissioners Declaration)
William Murphy
Patrick Kennedy
Patrick Hunt
Peter J Byrne
Joseph Roche (took the Commissioners Declaration)
Edward Miskella
James Dowling (took the Commissioners Declaration)
John Meehan

Cheques were issued for the following amounts —

119 Weekly Bill £6.2.3

121 M. J. Finn, Returning Officer, to pay Costs of the ~~Municipal~~ Annual Election of Town Comm^rs 3-16-6

Street Inspectors Repot — There are nine heaps of Manure finished in the Commissioners yard now ready for sale.

Ordered — That Advertisments be issued inviting proposals for the Sale of nine heaps of Manure, the proposals to be Considered at next Meeting.

The following was read —

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Local Government Board, Ireland,
Limerick 16th October 1894.

Sir,

In pursuance of the provisions of the Local Government, Ireland, Act, 34 and 35 Vic. Cap 109, I hereby give notice that I shall attend at the Town Hall New Ross, on Thursday the 18th day of November at the hour of Nine o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of Auditing the accounts of the New Ross Town Commissioners for the year ended the 31st December last; and I hereby require You to Cause notice of the time and place of audit to be published in some one or more of the public newspapers circulated in such town in accordance with the requirements of the 17th Section of the above mentioned Act.

I have also to request that You will communicate this appointment to the and to the Treasurer, Collector, and other accounting Officers; and that You will forward to me, at the above address, a Copy of the newspaper Containing the printed notice of Audit.

I am
Sir,
Your obedient Servant
Courtney Croker
Auditor.

W. Lobin
Town Clerk, New Ross.

Ordered — That the Advertisement of the Notice of Audit be inserted in next issue

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of the New Rop standard and of the Free Press.

William Carty, mason working at the High Hill Foot path was Called before the meeting, and in reply, stated that he would be done at the footpath on next Friday. He was directed to make the Water Channel at the side of the footpath with Concrete, as the paving stones on hands not being suitable for making a proper water Channel.

The Chairman stated that Mr Doyle Quay Street had Called on him, and stated that as always all the water of the Slated Roof was being turned into his yard, the pipe there would not be sufficient to carry it away.

Proposed by Mr Miskella
seconded by That a
sufficiently large down pipe be fixed in Mr Doyles yard.

The Chairman stated that though the Clerk had been directed at a previous meeting to go with Thomas Good, Collector to Col Lotten-ham, when he would be measuring the ground at William street to make a map of the ground to be rented by the Commissioners from Col

Lottenham

Tottenham for building, he (Chairman) thought it would be better that an expert in such work should represent the Town Commissioners in the preparation of the Map to be entered in the Lease. The Clerk Could attend the measurement to show the property of the Town Commissioners adjoining adjoining the ground belonging to Col Tottenham.

Mr Thomas Byrne, Charles street, was sent for and Called before the meeting the work to be done in preparing the map was explained to him, and he agreed to do the work required, but Could not state at the time, the Cost of this doing so.

Proposed by Mr Gannon
Seconded by Mr Tierney—

That Thomas Byrne be employed to measure the ground in William street for which the Town Commissioners are becoming Tenants to Col. Tattenham, and prepare a Map of it to be given to Messrs— Colfer & Gethin Solicitors, ~~to prepare a Map to~~ be inserted in the Lease. Passed.

Reported lamp John Fitzgerald

The Clerk reported that John Fitzgerald had Called to the Chairman and stated that the lamp taken from Mr P. J. Byrne's house was about being fixed up near Mrs Galavan's gate, and if fixed there would remove the light of it from his side of the street, and he an injury

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to his premises and an inconvenience to the public. The Chairman directed him (Clerk) to see Mr Hutchinson, one of the Committee who inspects and arranged the list of lamps to be kept lighted during the nights at the full moon. Mr Hutchinson ~~came to the~~ went to see the place the lamp was about to be fixed at, and stated to the man working for the Gas Company that it was down at the upper one of the Town Commissioners houses the lamp was to be fixed at, and the Gas Company's men fixed it there.

In Considering this subject the Meeting finding that one of the three members of the Committee that had inspected the lamps had ceased to be a Commissioner — Mr Peter Murphy it was

Ordered — That P. J. Byrne be added to the lamp Committee in place of Mr P. Murphy.

Ordered lamp Committee inspect place above Fair Gate

Ordered — That the Lamp Committee inspect the place above Fair Gate and select the place at which the lamp removed from Mr Byrne's house is to be fixed either by bracket or by Lamp post whichever will be most suitable for disposing the light to the largest area.

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The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 27th October 1897.

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Also — "To Consider a Notice received from the Governors of Trinity Hospital respecting the vacancies to be filled in that Institution".

Also, "To Consider a letter from Mr Reacoke, Belmont, Wexford respecting the advancement of the objects of the Irish Financial reform League".

Members present — Messrs

- ✓ Matthew J. Finn Chairman in the Chair
- ✓ Patrick Kierney
- ✓ Peter J Byrne
- ✓ Edward Miskella
- ✓ Joseph Roche
- ✓ Patrick Shannon
- ✓ David Murphy
- Patrick Kennedy
- John Meehan

Cheques were issued for the following amounts —

123 Weekly Bill ——— £5-9-1

124 Messrs Colfer & Gethin for Law Costs for professional services at the Annual Election of Town Commissioners Oct. 1897 4-4-0

Proposals

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Proposals as follows Received for manure —

Miss Mary Anne Whitney, Creacon, for three heaps @ 22/6 —

John Byrne, Camblin, 4 heaps, @ 22/- shillings

Ordered — That Miss Whitneys proposal be accepted for three heaps @ 22/6 per heap

Ordered — That John Byrnes proposal for four heaps if he pays 22/6 per heap for them. (Mr Burn Called next day and entered 22/6 in his proposal in accordance with the Order. He paid for the manure and Commenced drawing his manure.

W James Connolly reported that the work of his Contract at South side of the Tholsel was finished

Ordered — That Mr. A Cullen be requested to inspect the work done at the South side of the Tholsel by J. Connolly and report as to the Completion of the work in accordance with the specification.

The following was read.

Offices New Rd, 25th October 1897.

Dear Sir,

As we understand the Commissioners wish to be furnished with our Costs in Connection with the late Municipal Election

Election at once, and seperately from our general bill. We now enclose particulars of same, the total being £4-4-0

Yours very truly
Colfer & Gethin.

L Robin
Town Clerk New Ros.

Ordered — That the the amount of Messrs Colfer & Gethins Bill be paid.

The following Report was read from the Committee, which met on ~~the~~ 21st 21st Inst. to transact business — present — Messrs — Patrick Kennedy, Matthew Hutchinson, P. J. Byrne —

We inspected the work done at the Fair Gate and at the Cross in Drishtown, and found that J. Connolly had Completed his work Satisfactorily.

We recommend that the piers of the old Fair Gate be pointed with Cement, and finish up about two feet more of the west pier, and to have the two sides even, with same Kind of Stones as in the standing parts. To Clean the weeds &c from the Top of the piers and to Cover the top with Cement in a slant to prevent the water soaking behind the pier and let it flow off.

The Committee recommend that that a Notice be painted at the Cross cautioning persons against injuring the Cross and stating that persons found doing so will be prosecuted.

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Bracket Lamp above Fair Gate to be removed

Your Committee inspected the position of the lamp above the Fair Gate, and recommend that the lantern be fixed on a post and erected at about two feet at the west side of Mrs Galavan's Gate, and about five feet out from the wall.

Your Committee inspected the Water Channel down at foot of High Hill and recommend that a strong grate, with bars passing downwards be fixed over the trap at the foot of the Hill — To be two feet 8 inches, by two feet, the bars to be about inch and quarter apart.

The Committee recommend that all the rubbish on High Hill, be removed into the quarry and levelled, and that the back drain be be cleaned.

Ordered — That the Report be adopted.

Ordered — That J. Connolly be invited to tender for the additional Repairs to be done at Fair Gate as suggested by the Committee

Clerks Report — The Annual Election of four Commissioners was held on the 15th Instant.

The Annual List, and all the papers and documents required in Connection with the Election, were revised or prepared by

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by Messrs — Calfee & Gaethin.

The four outgoing Members, Messrs — John Butler, Matthew Hutchinson Henry G. Hinson and Peter Murphy, were nominated in the usual form.

Mr Hinson obtained a Second Nomination ~~form~~ Paper, and presented it to the Clerk, his first Nomination paper being signed by Richard Zimber as one of the Assenters, and his name not being on the Municipal List of persons entitled to vote at the Election.

The Nomination Paper for Peter Murphy was nullified for same reason as in Mr Hinson's Case, one of his Assenters, Patrick Murphy, not being on the list of persons entitled to Vote at the Election of Town Commissioners

The Candidates duly nominated, were — Messrs —

Joseph Roche
Matthew Hutchinson
Henry G. Hinson
John Butler
Patrick Tierney
Patrick Gannon

After the Close of the Poll at 8 o'clock P. M. Friday 15th October 1897, the following was found to be the Result of the Counting of the Votes — For Messrs —

Patrick Gannon ——— 70 Votes
Patrick Tierney ——— 67 "

Joseph

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Joseph Roche ——— 65 Votes
Matthew Hutchinson ——— 50 "
John Butler ——— 46 "
Henry G. Hinson ——— 42 "

There was no nomination paper served for the Rochercan ward, and the Outgoing member James Dowling, was declared duly elected, for Rochercan ward, by the Returning Officer.

The following is the list of the Town Commissioners for New Ros.

New Ros Ward.

1897 — Patrick Lyons
" Patrick Tierney
" Joseph Roche
" Matthew Hutchinson
1896. David Murphy
" Patrick Hunt
" John Meehan
" Peter John Byrne
1895 Michael J Stephenson
" William Murphy
" Vacant
" Edward Mikella

Rochercan Ward.

1897 James Dowling
1896 Patrick Kennedy
1895 Matthew J Finn, Chairman

Town Commissioners Office
New Ros 20th October 1897.

John Tobin
Town Clerk.

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The following was read.

Belmont, Wexford, Oct. 22nd 1897.

The Chairman, New Ross Town Commissioners.

Dear Sir,

A meeting Composed of those representatives from each of the following Public Bodies — The Wexford Board of Guardians, the Wexford Corporation, and the Wexford Harbour Commissioners, met on Thursday last in the Town Hall Wexford, to Consider what steps should be taken to advance the objects of the Irish Financial Reform League. It was unanimously resolved, that the General public Bodies throughout the County should be Communicated with, and that they be invited to take joint action in forming local Committees, and to appoint three members from each of their respective Boards, to meet at such suitable place and date to be hereafter arranged in order to take Conjoint action for holding a County Meeting before Parliament Meets, so as to impress upon the Government the Urgency of passing such measures as will relieve this County of the unjust taxation which it Suffers from, and which the report of the Royal Commission on the Financial Relations, between great Britain and Ireland so plainly

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plainly demonstrates.

I shall feel obliged by your submitting the above to your Board at the earliest opportunity, and then to send me a reply.

Yours faithfully
C. H. Reacoke
Hon. Sec.

Ordered — That we express our earnest intention to Co-operate with the other Public Bodies in the County in promoting the objects of the Irish Financial Reform League, and to express our best thanks to Mr Reacoke for his labours in advancing this laudable and patriotic movement.

That Mr Reacoke be respectfully requested to be so good as to favour us with his presence in New Ross, to aid us in Organizing a Cooperating Branch of the movement in this Town. That if his time and Convenience will allow him to accede to the request, that he name a time for his visit, and suggest anything he may Consider desirable to be done here, before his arrival

Trinity Hospital

The following was read.

In pursuance of the provisions of the Scheme settled by the High Court of Chancery for

for the Regulation of the Charity Called The Trinity Hospital, New Ross. I Hereby Give Your notice that Col ~~Tottenham~~ Charles George Tottenham D.L. as representing the Heirs of Thomas Gregory Esquire, deceased and James Edward Ephraban Esquire, the Master, being the Governing Body of the said Charity, will meet on Monday the 15th day of November 1897, for the purpose of nominating eight fit and proper persons to fill up so many vacancies in the said Hospital.

Dated this 21st day of October 1897.

Thos Boyd

Treasurer and Secretary to the said Hospital.

To The Town Commissioners of New Ross.

Recommendations ~~were~~ signed by respectable Inhabitants of New Ross, in favour of Thraving

Ellen Fowler, Widow, South Street, and Maria Murphy, Spinster, William Street, recommended by the Town Commissioners to the Governing Body of Trinity Hospital, New Ross, to be nominated for admission to that Institution.

Ordered—That the two recommendations be placed with the others already received and placed before the members when making recommendations of persons to the Governors of Trinity Hospital.

As the

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As the Members were about to proceed with the selection of persons to be recommended to the Governors of the Hospital, it was Unanimously agreed that Mary Anne Ellard, and Deborah Kough, being Protestants, should be recommended to the Governors for nomination, for admission.

The names of the persons recommended in the documents already received were read and selected as follows:—

1 Widow Leary, Rochercon, Proposed by Mr Kennedy and Seconded by Mr Mahon

2. Ellen Fowler, Widow, South Strut, Proposed by Mr Meehan and Seconded by Mr Tierney.

3. Maria Murphy, Spinster, William strut, Proposed by Mr Murphy & Seconded by Mr Mifsud.

4. Eliza Joacle, Spinster, Quay strut, Proposed by Mr Roche, Seconded by Mr Mahon.

5. Mary Anne Ellard, Spinster, South Strut, Proposed by Mr Gannon, Seconded by Mr Murphy.

6 Ellen Lee, Widow Mary St. Proposed by Mr Tierney Seconded by Mr Murphy.

7 Mary Carroll, Widow, Quay, proposed by Mr Gannon, Seconded by Mr Byrne.

8 Deborah Kough, Spinster, proposed by ~~Mr Meehan~~ Mr Mifsud Seconded by Mr Mahon.

9 Margaret Cahill, Widow, Proposed by Mr Kennedy Seconded by Mr Roch.

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The Members proposed and seconded the persons to be recommended, in the Order in which they are given, and found they had by Mistake proposed and seconded nine persons for recommendation, and believing they ought not to have selected more than Eight proceeded to take a vote between the two last names selected — D. Keogh and M Cahill, when there appeared for Keogh — Mesrs — Miskella and Gannon — 2. For Cahill — Mesrs Kennedy, Meham, Roche and Murphy 4.

Some of the Members were leaving or had left when the last vote was taken.

A Communication had been read at the earlier part of the meeting from one Thomas Fitzhenry Fair Gate saying — I would like to Call Your attention to the house in which I am living, as it wants to be repaired very badly. The shop down stairs is all open. It was not repaired since Cody the Mailer lived in it, and I want a partition put in it, as I am not able to get it done myself.

Ordered — That the Collector inspect and report on the application and Condition of the House.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 3rd November 1897

1897
November 1st

Monday 1st November. Monthly Meeting day. No attendance of Members. The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 3rd November 1897

1897—
November 3rd

Wednesday 3rd November — A weekly and adjourned Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners held this day after 7½ O'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854

Members present — Vizes —

✓ Matthew J. Fiun, Chairman in the Chair
✓ Patrick Kennedy
✓ Patrick Lyannon
✓ Joseph Roche
✓ John Meehan

126 The Weekly Bill amounted to — £6-2-0

No other business transacted, for reasons stated in Resolution passed at the Meeting of the Urban Sanitary Authority — Condolence ~~and~~ for the death of the Most Rev Dr Hutchinson Lord Bishop of Cooks Town and Vicar Apostolic of Queensland.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 10th November 1897.

E. Mackellin Chm.
P.T.

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November 10th 1897 — Wednesday 10th November — Weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day at 1/2 Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Members present — Messrs —

✓ Edward Miskella in the Chair.
✓ Joseph Roche
✓ Patrick Gannon
✓ Patrick Feeney
~~Edward Miskella~~
✓ Michael J Stephenson
✓ John Meehan

Cheques were issued for the following amounts

128 Weekly Bill —— —— £6.3.9

129 Cashiers Bank of Ireland, to pay Board of Public Works, Thirty fourth instalment of Loan for building Labourers Dwellings, Viz:—

" Principal, Instalment of loan 28-5-0

" Interest to 31st October 1897 — 27-8-5 £55 13-5

130 Cashiers of the Bank of Ireland to pay "the Irish Land Commission", years Rent Charge due 1st November 1897 — Benefice, St. Marys New Rds. —— 0-13-3

The following is a Copy of the receivable order received from the Office of Public Works, Dublin.

No 110 Office of Public Works Dublin 30th October 1897

Loans Labourers Dwellings

Please to Receive from New Rds Town Commissioners, the Sum of £55-13-5, and place to the "General Cash Account" of the Commissioners of Public Works.

Particulars on back hereof. Principal Instalment 28.5.0
Interest to 30th October 97 27-8-5
£55-13-5

D. H. Braddell
Accountant.

To the Cashiers Bank of Ireland.

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The following was read

To the Chairman, New Ross Town Commissioners

Dear Sir,

As directed by Mr Tobin Town Clerk I have made an inspection of work recently done at rere of Pholad, in accordance with Specification prepared by Me, and have to report as follows;—

My opinion is that the work is well done, on the whole, but there is a provision in your Specification for a splash box, if found to be necessary when the rush of water comes from the large lead gutter into the eave gutter:

The only way to discover the necessity for this would be when a heavy down pour of rain comes, and see if the water rushes over the outer edge of the eave shoots, and fall into Mr Cleaners yard. Quite recently there were showers sufficiently heavy to test this, so I called on Mr Cleamor regarding it, and he told me the water was heard to splash, but could not be seen as it was midnight. If the splash box is required, it will consist of a piece of heavy lead or sheet iron bated on to the outer of the shoot, secured with white lead: the about long standing six inches over edge of shoot, and placed opposite to where the rush of water falls into the eave shoot.

In reference to the piping in Mr Bayles yard, I saw no six inch piping used there as reported.

There is nothing more done than what your specification provided for, and which is quite

quite ample, however the Contractor might have taken a shorter Cut by taking the down pipe where it was originally, and let the water flow on the surface of Mr Doyles Yard on to the Sewer. The water is now Conveyed directly from the down pipe into the urinal situate in Mr Doyle's Yard which seems to be a very good job. I may mention that the lead gutters and alleys to the roof of the Tholsel require Cleansing at once. If not done the water is certain to come down this winter, and Consequently damage the wall paper &c.

Your obedient Servant
Andrew Cullen.

The Clerk stated that after Mr Cullen's report had been made, J. Connolly Called and stated that he had fixed the "Splash box" to the eave Gutter.

Chamber of Commerce Dublin
Agricultural & Industries Bill

A Circular, and a Memorandum and Resolution was received from Marcus Goad Esq, Hon. Secretary to the Chamber of Commerce, Dublin, — saying — I am directed by the Council of the Dublin Chamber of Commerce to send you the enclosed Copies of a Memorandum and Resolution adopted by them at a Special Meeting held on the 25th Inst. to deal with this subject.

In accordance with terms of the Resolution I am to invite your Body to nominate one or more members to represent them upon

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upon a Deputation which the Irish Government will be asked to receive at an early date. The object of the Deputation is to urge upon the Government the importance of reintroducing the Agriculture and Industries Bill, duly amended, in the next Session of Parliament. I request that you will advise me at the earliest possible date whether your Body will be represented on the Deputation. The date will be fixed and published as soon as the Convenience of His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant and Chief Secretary have been ascertained.

The Memorandum and Resolution was annexed

Ordered — That the Consideration of the documents be referred to next Meeting the Members to be notified to attend to Consider same.

The following were read.

Rochercon Castle, near Ross November 8th 1897

Dear Mr Tobin

Be good enough to hand the enclosed to the Town Commissioners at their next Meeting. It is a reply to a Resolution which they passed at their at their last Meeting, and which I received from You in deference to the Members of my family and myself, on learning of the death of my brother The Most Rev. Dr Ketteringham, Bishop and Vicar Apostolic of Queensland.

To

To yourself. I beg to tender my best thanks for the Kind expressions of Condolence and esteem for the dear deceased Bishop.

Yours faithfully
J. Hutchinson

Mr John Tobin
Town Commissioners office
New Ross.

Rosheveon Castle, New Ross, 8th November 1897.

Town Commissioners, New Ross.

Gentlemen,

I have received from Your Clerk, Mr John Tobin, a Copy of the Resolution which You passed at Your last Meeting on learning of the death of my brother Bishop Hutchinson, and I now beg most sincerely to thank You for Your thoughtful and Kind expressions of sympathy and Condolence, when unexpectedly plunged into a sad state of bereavement and to assure You no words of Mine Could adequately Convey to you the heartfelt gratitude I entertain for Your generous Kindness

Believe me, Gentlemen
Yours Faithfully
J Hutchinson.

North Street, New Ross 10th November 1897.

To the Chairman, and Town Commissioners.

Gentlemen,

I beg to thank You for Your Kind letter of Sympathy and Condolence, of the 4th Instant, Concerning the early death

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death of my dear brother, the late Bishop of Cookstown. Accept the best thanks of my myself and family for your very Kind Sympathy in our sad bereave-
— ment. Remain, Yours Gratefully
Matthew Hutchinson

I also wish to thank Mr Lobin on behalf of Myself and family for his very Kind Sympathy and Condolence. M.H.

The following was read.

New Ros, November 9th 1897
To the Town Commissioners
Dear Sirs,

The field I hold from You, known as Bennets Knock, Contains about four Irish Acres, the Valuation being £10-0-0 and the Yearly rent £18-17-6. If You add the Rates paid by me (£1-15-0 net) this field Costs me £5-0-0 per acre.

The rents on all similar rented fields in this neighbourhood have been greatly reduced during the past fifteen years, but up to the present I have paid the same rent my Uncle was Charged thirty years ago. During this time I have paid over £600-0-0 in rent for this four Acre field, and expect You will give a reduction that will make it value at future rent

Hoping You will give this application Your favourable Consideration, and expecting

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a Satisfactory reply.

Remain Yours truly

Patrick Delaney

Tenant of Bennetts Knock

Application - P Delaney Rent of his holding

Ordered - That the Consideration of the letter from Mr Delaney be adjourned to next Meeting.

The following was read

New Ross, 10th November 1897

To the Town Commissioners, New Ross

Gentlemen,

I have prepared, as directed a Map of Col Tottenhams field on the south side of Cross Lane, which I have submitted to Mr J. Evans Boyd to Check and approve of on behalf of Col Tottenham which he has Kindly done as evidenced by his signature. I have also prepared a map of the plot of ground belonging to Mrs Mullen and Barrack Lane with boundaries &c marked thereon.

Both Maps I send herewith.

Yours obediently.

Thomas Byrne.

The Maps referred to were received with Mr Byrnes letter and submitted to the meeting.

Ordered - That the Map of the plot of ground situate between William Street and Cross Lane, for which the Town Commissioners have become Tenants to Col Tottenham, for a term of Three Hundred years, be given to Mess - Colfer & Gethin our

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Our Solicitors, to be used in preparing the Lease of the Tenancy for that ground, to be submitted to Mr Boyd, Agent to Col Tottenham, for approval.

Also — That the Map of the Plot of Ground, situate at the East side of the upper end of Barrack Lane, which the Commissioners have agreed to purchase from Mrs Mullin, Tramore, be given to Messrs — Colfer & Gethin, to prepare a transfer of the Ground to the Town Commissioners

The following was read.

Belmont, Wexford, 8th November 1897

Dear Sir,

Irish Financial Reform Letter W Peacocke

I am in receipt of your letter, dated 6th Instant containing a Copy of a Resolution passed by the New Ross Town Commissioners, in reply to which I shall feel obliged by your conveying to the Commissioners my willingness to attend a meeting in New Ross in order to assist in organizing that part of the County to promote the objects of the Irish Financial Reform League. I should suggest that three or more members from each of the public Bodies in New Ross be convened at a future date at some suitable place and hour to Consider What steps should be taken to advance the interests of this all important Subject in the Union, and in the Town

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I shall feel obliged by your letting me know a few days in advance, the date, place and hour on which the meeting will be held. I presume it will be at an early date.

Yours Faithfully
E. H. Reaceke

John Robin
Town Commissioners Office
New Rds.

Irish Financial Reform

Ordered — That the Consideration of Mr Reacokes Letter be referred to next meeting the members to be noticed to attend & Consider same.

Collectors Report — Inspected Thomas Fitzhamis House and Consider it necessary to have a partition erected from the stud door to the Kitchen door, with a door to enter the room off the hall caused by making the partition.

Also Consider it necessary to make a floor in the room hall and Kitchen

Ordered — That Mr. T. Cullen be requested to prepare a Specification for the work to be done at Thos Fitzhamis House.

The following notice was served — I give notice that at the next meeting held on the 17th November 1897, I will propose a Resolution in reference to the Movement for the Celebration of the Centenary of 1798. Joseph Rocke
10th November 1897.

The Meeting was adjourned to
Wednesday 17th November 1897.

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November 17th 1897 — Wednesday 17th November — A Weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7h o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Also — To Consider a letter from the Dublin Chamber of Commerce on the Agri-Cultural and Irish Industries Bill.

An Application from Patrick Delaney for a reduction of the rent of the fields he holds from the Commissioners in Bennetts Lane.

A Letter from Mr Peacocke on the Irish Financial Reform question.

Notice of a Resolution ~~on the~~ to be proposed respecting the Centenary of 1798.

To Consider a notice from the Governors of Trinity Hospital, of their nomination of seven Inmates for admission to that Institution.

Members present, viz:—

Matthew J. Finn, Chairman, in the Chair.
Patrick Gannon
Patrick Tierney
Peter J. Byrne
Joseph Roche
William Murphy.

The Weekly Bill amounting to £4.17.5 — 132

For the reason stated in the Sanitary Minutes — Vote of Condolence with Mr Kennedy on the death of his father-in-Law the Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 24th November 1897.

Mr Finn
Chairman

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Wednesday 24th November A Weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners held this day to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 Also— To Consider a letter from the Dublin Chamber of Commerce on the Agricultural and Irish Industries Bill.

2 An Application from Patrick Delaney for a reduction of the rent of fields he holds from the Commissioners in Bennetts Knock

3 A Letter from McReacoke on the Irish Financial Reform question.

4 Notice of a Resolution to be proposed respecting the Centenary of 1798

5 To Consider a Notice from the Governors of Lunity Hospital, of their nomination of seven Inmates for admission to that Institution.

Members Present Messrs—

✓ Matthew J. Finn Chairman in the Chair
✓ Peter J. Byrne
✓ Joseph Roche
✓ Patrick Tierney
✓ James Dowling
✓ William Murphy

134 The Weekly Bill amounted to — £4.9.8

Gutters Ordered to be cleaned by J Connolly

Ordered— That M. James Connolly be engaged to get the lead Gutters and Alleys on the roof of the School Carefully cleaned.

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A note was read from Julia Walsh saying she had taken in the pipe water to her house since last Meeting of the Town Commissioners

A Communication was read from J. Corbet Nunnery Lane, Offering to take the Pound at £5- per annum, provided, the Commissioners make a Suitable Shed 20 feet Long with a place for to Separate the different Classes of Animals, and if not that he declined it to accept the Tenancy. Further that he should be fully informed of the Scale laid down for them all.

Ordered That Mssrs — R. Tierney, P.J. Payne and J. Dowling be appointed a Committee to inspect the Pound at 11 Oclock, A.M. on Thursday 25th November 1897 - That James Connolly be requested to attend with the Committee to advise respecting the arrangement of Sheds &c in the Pound.

The Chairman brought under the notice of the Meeting that two Flags, on the North footpath leading from the Bridge to the Railway Station were broken and after rain the Space where the flags had been holds water and are dangerous to pedestrians

Ordered — That the Street Inspector replace

replace the two broken flags by ~~a~~ new flags, and by a Competent person.

Notice that lamp at Chapel Roberson had not been lighted 21st November

Mr Byrne brought under notice of the meeting that the lamp at the Chapel in Roberson had not been lighted on Sunday night, 21st November, and the night being dark it was required very much

Ordered — That the Clerk write to the ~~Secretary~~ Manager of the Gas Company, stating that the lamp had not been lighted on Sunday night last. Also to ask that in future there will be no neglect in having the lamps lighted according to Contract.

The following was read

South Street November 24th 1897.

To John Lobin
Dear Sir,

You will please convey to the Town Commissioners on behalf of myself and family our grateful acknowledgements for their thoughtfulness in adjourning the Commissioners Meeting on Wednesday 17th Instant as a mark of Respect to myself and family on the Occasion of My Respected Father-in-law death Mr Thomas Kehoe of Ballyhouge, Bru, whose demise we deeply deplore. The Commissioners valued Vote of Condolence and Sympathy passed unanimously on that occasion has been to us a Source of great Consolation in our Sad Bereavement. Allow me also to thank

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in a special manner the proposer and
seconder of same, and yourself for the very
kind sympathetic personal feelings expressed
and Contained therein.

I John Robin Dremain, Yours Faithfully
Clerk to the Commissioners. Patrick Kennedy

Street Inspectors Report — One boatload
of limestones delivered by Patrick Roches
men for the Town Commissioners

The footpath and Channel on the high
Hill is finished by William Carty on this
day, and all the stones and flags and
Clay removed, and the timber brought
over to the shed in the Commissioners
yard.

There are seven heaps of Manure finished
in the Commissioners Yard.

Ordered — That the repairs required on the
roof of the prison be got done by the
street Inspector.

Ordered — That Advertisements be issued
inviting proposals for Eight heaps of manure
the proposals to be Considered at next Meeting.

The following was read

New Rds November 16th 1897.

The New Rds Town Commissioners.

Dear Sirs — In reference to my application

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~~of last week about the field Bennetts~~

Dear Sirs

In reference to my application of last week about the field Bennetts' Knock near Ashton, I wish to state I am satisfied to pay you ~~three~~ £3-0-0 per Irish acre, Rates as usual.

You are aware that a good deal of land in the neighbourhood formerly let at £4-0-0 per acre is now let at £2-10-0.

As an example of reductions, the field situated between the College Road and Mount Garrett Lane, Known as the Bowling Green, formerly let at £25-0-0 per year is now let at £16-0-0.

If you Consider this and my letter of last week, I believe you will come to the Conclusion that My offer of £3-0-0 per acre is all that Bennetts Knock Can be worth.

Expecting You will be satisfied with my offer which is its utmost value, and waiting a favourable reply I

I remain Yours truly
Patrick Delaney.
Tenant of Bennetts Knock

Ordered—That the Clerk write to Messrs Colfer and Gethin, asking them to state for the information of the Commissioners— If the Commissioners Can without an application to the Land Court legally reduce the rent of fields held by Patrick Delaney in Bennetts Knock, as this Case was before the Land Court some time

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time ago, and the application for a reduction of Rent refused.

The Letter from Mr Reacoke read at the Meeting held on the 10th Inst. was Considered.

Ordered — That — Messrs — Edward Mitchell David Murphy Joseph Roche, Peter John Byrne, and the Chairman, Mr Finn. be appointed representatives on behalf of the Town Commissioners, at the meeting that will be Convened to hear Mr Reacoke, and aid in establishing a Branch of the Irish Financial Reform League in New Ross.

The following was read

Gentlemen

I beg to notify to you that Col. Charles George Tottenham D.L., representing the heirs of Thomas Gregory and James Edward Galavan Esquire, J.P. the Master of Trinity Hospital New-Ross, being the Governing Body of the said Hospital have this day duly nominated

Mary Leary
Ellen Fowler
Maria Murphy
Mary Anne Ellard
Deborah Kough
Mary Cooney
Anne Kavanagh

being persons duly qualified to fill seven Vacancies

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Vacancies in said Hospital.

Dated this 15th day of November 1894.

Thos Boyd

Secretary to said Trinity Hospital

~~The following~~

To the Town Commissioners,

New Rop.

The following Resolution was passed in reply to the foregoing notice received from the Secretary to the Trinity Hospital.

Be it unanimously Resolved—

That we fully Assent to the nomination by the Governing Body of Trinity Hospital, to fill Seven existing Vacancies in that Institution, by the following persons.—

Mary Leary, Ellen Fowler, Mariah Murphy, Mary Anne Ellard, Deborah Knight, Mary Cooney, and Anne Kavanagh.

The Subject of the "98 Centenary Celebration was Considered. The Resolution passed by the Commissioners on 30th July last was Considered.

Proposed by Mr Roche

Seconded by Mr Dowling— That We the New Rop Town Commissioners, Resolve ourselves into a Committee to Carry out the Celebration of the 1798 Centenary, in Conjunction with the Sub Committee, already appointed for this District, and that this amalgamated Committee have power to add to their number.

Passed

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Carried Unanimously.

The following was read

Bank of Ireland Office New Ross, 17th November 1897
M. J. Finn Esqr, Chairman of Town Commissioners.

Sir,

May I Call Your attention as Chairman of the New Ross Town Commissioners to the very unpleasant and objectionable ~~experience~~ experience, I and my family, and other residents in this locality — have been subjected to for some time past, owing to the more than disgraceful and unseemly Conduct and language which has been, and is from time to time indulged in by persons on the Quay.

I need hardly say that we feel it particularly unfair that we should be Compelled to endure this infliction, seeing how easily we might be protected by those responsible for the well being of the Town by their adopting and properly applying the Section of the Towns Improvement Act applicable to such Conduct, which has been done in many towns already.

I am sure You, and the Town Commissioners will agree with me, that the bad example to the Youth of the Town (with whom early familiarity with unchecked Evil) must have a very bad effect.

I am, Sir
Your obedient Servant
T. G. Barlow.

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Ordered — That the Consideration of Mr Barlows letter be adjourned to next meeting, the Members to be notified to attend to Consider Same. That the Clerk acknowledge the letter and state that the further Consideration of the Subject referred to therein, has been adjourned to next meeting.

The following was read.

Creywell Brewery, New Rd, 23rd November 1897.

Sir,

Again on behalf of the Members of my family, I have to Complain of the filthy State of the pavement between Mr Hearns Store and the Hotel.

From week end to week end no attempt is made to Clean it, and this is a portion of the Town where a Heavy Corn Market is held.

If it be the duty of the Owners of houses to Sweep the pavements immediately in front of their Shops, surely it is some ones business to See that it is done.

I Can See no difficulty in the matter, even if the Scavengers gave a percentage of the time they Spend leaning on their Broom staffs, to this much needed work.

I must ask You to bring this Matter to the notice of the Commissioners Yours faithfully,

William Cherry

Mr Tobin
Clerk to the Town Commissioners

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Local Government (Ireland) Act 34 & 35

Abstract of the Accounts of the Town Rdp Showing the Receipts and Expenditure

Receipts.

Date	Nature of Receipts.		Amount		
1895					
December 31st	To Balance due by Treasurer		161	8	7
1896					
December 31st	To Corporate Rents	Yearly Tenants £316.2.5			
		Labourer's Dwellings 142.18.10			
		Old Weekly Tenants 27.0.0	486	1	3
	" Borough Rate		389	6	1
	Rifle Water Rent (Two years)		78	2	11
	Petty Sessions Court Fines		18	15	10
	Contribution from Government in aid of Sanitary				
	officers Salaries		20	2	6
	Do " do in lieu of Rates			10	6
	County Presentment (Bridge Contract)		13	10	0
	Dog Tax		14	17	10
	Sales of Manure		49	18	6
	Hire of Town Hall		5	17	0
		£	1238	11	0

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Town Commissioners for the Year ended 31st December 1896 under the several heads during that period.

Expenditure

	Nature of Expenditure	Amount		
1896				
December 31st	By Town Clerks Salary	75	0	0
"	Cleansing Streets	135	4	3
"	Public Lamps	140	1	0
"	Board of Public Works, Interest and Instalment of Loan	113	13	10
	Law Costs	201	14	6
	Repairs of Thatsel	68	18	1
	Wages	42	8	0
	Street Contracts	42	5	10
	Collectors Rumdage	28	19	1
	Pipe Water services	26	10	0
	Rents, Taxes and Insurance	21	0	4
	Printing, Books and Stationary	20	10	11
	Fire Engine	15	0	0
	Purchase of Ground	10	0	0
	Fuel and Light for Thatsel	8	5	9
	Town Clock	5	0	0
	Audit of Accounts	4	15	0
	Repairs of House property	4	9	3
	Labourers Dwellings	3	1	6
	Miscellaneous	2	12	10
	Sanitary Expenditure.			
	Water Supply	86	6	3
	Salaries and Wages	56	10	0
	Sewers	12	8	0
	Sanitary Precautions	4	2	11
	Balance due by Treasurer	109	13	8
	£	1238	11	0

I Certify the foregoing to be a true Abstract of the Receipts and Expenditure of the New Ross Town Commissioners for the Year ended 31st December 1896. Dated this 18th day of November 1897.

Courtney Croker, Auditor.

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~~Ordered — That~~

The ~~Street~~ Inspector was Called before the meeting and directed to look ~~to the~~ Cleansing of the ~~Street~~ Complained of by Dr. Cherry. and see that ~~the~~ Pathways was Kept Clean.

The Clerk was directed to acknowledge the receipt of Dr. Cherrys letter and, ~~state that~~ directions had been given & have his Complaint remedied.

The following was read.

Auditor's Report.

Limerick, 20th November 1894

Sir,

I beg to report for the information of the Local Government Board, that I have audited the Accounts of the New Rep Town Commissioners for the year ended the 31st December last, and forward herewith an Abstract thereof showing the Receipts and Expenditure under the several Heads for the period mentioned.

The Collection of the Borough Rate, struck at one Shilling in the Pound, was on this occasion Closed within the year under audit and the Pipe water Rent for the years 1895 and 1896 was also Collected; the Collection in both Cases was very Satisfactory and reflects Credit on Mr Mc Grath the Collector; the Collection of the Yearly Rents, is however not so good, as the Tenant Shops so often referred to in previous

Reports

Reports, is still very heavily in arrear with his rent: if the Town Commissioners do not order energetic measures being adopted in this Case, they may incur personal liability, and with the view of avoiding any action on my part in this regard, I again draw their ~~attention~~ serious attention ~~to~~ the matter.

The Sum due by Weekly Tenants now out of ~~possession~~ occupation is £15.2.10. It has been accumulating for a Considerable period, and as it appears quite irrecoverable, it should be struck off the Rental by Resolution of the Town Commissioners.

The Assignment of the plot of ~~ground~~ land bought by the Town Commissioners has not been signed by Messrs Murphy, Butler and Dowling who appear to be parties Concerned in same.

It will be observed that the law Costs paid amount to £201-14-6; this includes a payment to Mr Calfer of £75. on account of his taxed bill of Costs which was running for a Considerable time, the sum of £125 was paid to Settle a Case for personal injury brought against the Town Commissioners. The Board's Solicitor advised the Settlement of the action for this sum, and no Ratepayer appearing at the Audit to object to this Expenditure, I passed it accordingly.

I regret to find the suggestion I made in my last report as to the examination

of

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of the Town Clerks Ledger by the Town
Commissioners from time to time has not
been acted on; not a single entry has
has yet been made in it for the Current
year.

I am, Sir
Your Obedient Servant
Courtney Croker.

Ordered — That the Clerk write up the
Ledger as quickly as possible and without
avoidable delay.

Ordered — That the Auditors Abstract of the Accounts
be published once in the New Ross Standard
and in the Wexford Free Press.

Ordered — That the Finance Committee be
summoned to meet at 8 o'clock P.M. Tuesday
28th November to transact business and to
Consider the Auditors Report.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday
1st December 1897.

W. J. Brien
Chairman

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Rand Committee

Friday 26th November, A meeting of the Committee appointed to inspect the Rand with Mr Connolly and Consider and report on the Shedding that may be required for Cattle accomodation at the Rand. The Committee to meet at 11 Oclock A.M. Present Messrs—

✓ Patrick Tierney

✓ Peter J. Byrne Also—Mr Connolly

The Members went with Mr Connolly and inspected the Rand.

The Clerk had to attend a Meeting of the Sanitary Committee and was not present with this Committee.

After the Inspection Mr Connolly Called and Gave the following statement as the result of the Inspection.—

The Committee agreed to put up, at South End of the Rand an Iron roofed shed on timber uprights about twenty two feet long and about nine feet wide— The Eave to be six feet from the ground. The floor of the shed to be levelled. That he (Mr Connolly) to prepare a Specification of the Work to be done, at next Meeting.

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November 30th

Tuesday 30th November— A meeting of the Finance Committee to be held this day at 8 Oclock P.M. To transact business of the Committee and Consider the Auditors Report

No business of the Committee transacted
Meeting adjourned to Friday 3rd December 1897.

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December 1st — Wednesday 1st December. A meeting of the Town Commissioners ~~acting as the Sanitary Authority~~ and Street Committee held this day at 7½ O'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. — Also — To Consider a letter from Mr Barlow ~~relating~~ respecting Bad Conduct of persons on the Quay. Present Mess^rs —

✓ Matthew J Finn
✓ Patrick Kennedy
✓ Patrick Hunt
✓ Patrick Gannon
✓ Peter J. Byrne
✓ William Murphy
✓ Joseph Roche
✓ Patrick Tierney

Cheques were issued for the following amounts —

136 Weekly Bill — £4-1-10
137 James Connolly amt. of a/c furnished for work at Fair Gate, and Irishtown Cross — 10-0-0

The following was read.

Circular to Local Authorities under the Explosives Act 1875.

Dublin Castle
24th November 1897.

Explosives Act

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Lord Lieutenant to invite your attention to the arrangement sanctioned by the Irish Government, and communicated to you by Circular letter from the Home Office in 1884 ~~to~~

(a

(a copy of which is sent herewith) by which you are empowered, as Local Authority under the Explosives Act, 1875, to appoint a Member of the Royal Irish Constabulary to act as Local Inspector without remuneration.

By this arrangement the duties of Local Inspector under the Act can be transferred to the Constabulary, thereby securing the efficient administration of the Act, and relieving the Ratepayers of the amount now paid to Inspectors as Salary

I am
Gentlemen
Your obedient Servant
D. Harrell

The Secretary
Town Commissioners
New Ross.

Explosives Act

Ordered – That the Consideration of the Communication be adjourned, the Clerk to ascertain information on the Subject

Mrs Galavan's Houses
Irishtown

The following was read
Irishtown, New Ross, November 30th 1897.
To the present and Members of the Town Commissioners of New Ross.
Gentlemen,
I am notified for the rent of the property in my possession which I intend to pay you about New year's Day, but I must let you know that the Dwelling House and Some of the out Offices is in very bad Condition, the rain

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Rain Coming through the Roofs with every Shower, in fact the whole place not fit for habitation or business of any Kind. So I hope you will see to it and have it put ~~down~~ in some shape & Line in

Your tenant
Mrs E. Galavan

Mrs Galavans names Collector to inspect and report on Condition of Roofs.

Ordered — That the Collector inspect the houses and depost against next meeting on the State of the Roofs of the houses.

The following were read.

New Ross Union, Clerks' Office, 30th Nov 1897

Irish Financial Reform Letter Clerk, N.R. Union

Dear Sir,

I had the pleasure on Saturday of submitting your letter with reference to the "Irish Financial Reform League", for the Consideration of the Board of Guardians; and I am to inform you that the Guardians are prepared to Cooperate in promoting the objects of the League.

The Representatives of the Board of Guardians, who had been already appointed, will be ready to meet the Representatives of the other Boards in town on any day or Convenient hour that may be agreed on

Yours faithfully
R. A. Pope

John Tobin
Town Clerk.

P.S. The Guardians Committee embrace the

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the Undermentioned – namely

the Chairman – Mr W. Mc M. Ranaugh D.L.
Vice Chairman Mr Patrick Bolger
D.V. Chairman Mr John Mullally
Mr John Chenery J.P. Mr William Kelly
Mr James Shearne & Mr John Meehan
R.S.P.

Harbour Commissioners Office
New Ross, 1st December 1897

Irish Financial Reform – Letter Clerk of Harbour Comrs

Dear Sir

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 27th inst. respecting the Irish Financial Reform question and to say it was submitted to a meeting of the Port and Harbour Commissioners held this day, whereat the following members were appointed to represent the Harbour Board at the meeting to be held to meet Mr Reacroft for forming a Local Branch of the Irish Irish Financial Reform League in New Ross. – Viz –

T. E. Gallavan J.P. Chairman
John L Kearns
Patrick Kelly
T. E. Jeffares
P Kennedy

I beg to remain, dear Sir,
Yours Respectfully
Matthew J. Kearns
Clerk to Commissioners.

Proposed

Wm John Lobin
Town Clerk
New Ross.

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Proposed by Mr Gannon
seconded by Mr Tierney

Irish Financial Reform Resolution appointing Meeting

That the Meeting to be held to meet Mr Reacoke, be held on the 15 Instant, the Clerk to inform Mr Reacoke of the date fixed for holding the Meeting. That the Clerk inform the Clerk of the New Rop Union, and the Secretary to the Port and Harbour Commissioners of New Rop. of the date fixed on for holding the Meeting.

Passed Unanimously

Mr Barlow's letter read at previous meeting was Considered. after which it was

Proposed by Mr Byrne
Seconded by Mr Kennedy —

Towns Improvement Act. Resolution inviting Mr Calfer to attend next Meeting to advise T. Cond.

That Mr Calfer Solicitor be requested to attend next weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners, to be held on the 8th Instant, to Confer with and advise them as to ~~what provisions~~ how the provisions of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 can be legally enforced in New Rop. the Conference and advice to be either in Committee or in Public as he may advise.

Passed, Mr Roche dissenting.

Pound — Proposal J Connolly for Shed in Pound.

A proposal was read from Mr J Connolly for doing the work of erecting a Shed in the Pound as Agreed on by the Committee on the 26th November.

Ordered

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Ordered – That MJ Connolly be asked to prepare a Specification for the work of Shedding the South end of the Pound from wall to wall, and after receiving it that the Clerk issue advertisements inviting proposals for the Completion of the work.

Postal arangements

Resolution asking Pillar boxes to be Cleared for 12-30 despatch

Proposed by Mr Kennedy
Seconded by Mr Roche –

That the Town Commissioners of New Ross. as Representatives of the Inhabitants, respectfully request ~~the~~ Post Office Authorities to Cause a Pillar Collection of the mails to be made for despatch by the 12-30 train from New Ross, to Dublin, as their non Collection, under existing ~~Circumstances~~ arrangements is a Source of Considerable inconvenience to traders who do not reside near the Post office, and who may require letters despatched by that Train.

Passed Unanimously.

Towns Improvement Act

Letter Clerk of Petty Sessions

The following was read.

Petty Sessions Office New Ross, 28th November 1897.

Dear Sir,

Having Carefully read the report in the local papers of the proceedings at Your Meeting on the 17th Instant, I was much surprised at the remarks of one of the Commissioners as Regards the proceedings under the provisions of the Towns Improvement Ireland Act 17 & 18 Vic. C 103. S. 72. The Clauses of the Act

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Act are in full force, and have since 1854 except Secs. 52, 53 & 54 relating to water supplies. The Town Commissioners have directed only three ~~Cases~~ prosecutions during the Current Year, for offences under Section 72, The Town Clerk and Your Solicitor attending. The Court is held on Friday in each week, when there are Cases for hearing. All the County Magistrates have Jurisdiction, attend and dispose of the business

In that part of the report regarding the Sailor arrested on the night of the 13th Instant and reported to have been let off Scot Free, after arrest, he was detained in the Lockup at the Police Barrack all night and on Sunday was remanded to Bridewell until Monday morning When he was brought before a Special Court Convicted on the Charges, Fined in each Case, and in default of payment to be imprisoned in the County Gaol for a period of Twenty days with Hard labour. The fines were paid and the prisoner discharged.

Trusting that the Foregoing will Correct the erroneous opinion in the Public Mind.

I am Dear Sir
Your obedient Servant
Wm Munro C. P. S.

The Chairman
Town Comrs New Ross

The Meeting was adjourned
To Wednesday 8th December 1897.

Jno Sinn
Chairman

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1897 —
December 2nd — Thursday 2nd December — A meeting of the 98 Centenary Committee held this day at 7½ Oclock P.M. — To Consider the best steps to be taken to Celebrate the Centenary of 1798. Present — Messrs

✓ Matthew J Finn Chairman in the Chair
✓ William Murphy
✓ Patrick Farmer
✓ Peter J Byrne
✓ Patrick Tierney
✓ Joseph Roche

Also from Committee appointed by the County Branch Meeting
John Hand
James Hogan
Byan Hennessy

A Resolution was proposed by W Hand and seconded by W Hogan
Proposed by W Tierney. Seconded by W Byrne
— That the meeting be adjourned, for a larger attendance, to 7½ Oclock P.M. Tuesday 7th December 1897
Passed unanimously

The Meeting was adjourned to Tuesday 7th December 1897.

1897. — December 3rd — Friday 3rd December — A meeting of the Finance Committee — To transact business of the Committee and Consider the Auditors Report — the Committee to meet at 7½ Oclock P.M.

Mr Miskella was the only member in attendance

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1897 — December 6th — Monday 6th December — Monthly Meeting day. No attendance of Members the Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 8th December 1897.

1897 — December 7th — Tuesday 7th December A meeting of the 98 Centenary Committee held this day at 7½ Oclock P.M. to Consider the steps to be taken in New Ross, to Celebrate the Centenary of 1798 and to initiate proper organization therefor —

Present — Messrs —

Matthew J. Fenn, Chairman, in the Chair.
Patrick Kent
William Murphy
Patrick Gannon
Joseph Roche
Patrick Tierney

Members of the County Committee

Messrs — Bryan Hennessy
John Hand
Patrick Dinn

Proposed by Mr Kennedy
Seconded by Mr Gannon

That a Requisition be prepared, and signed by the Town Commissioners, and Inhabitants of the Town, requesting the Chairman to Convene a Public Meeting of the Inhabitants of New Ross and its vicinity, to make suitable arrangements for Celebrating the Centenary of 1798, and for receiving our exiled Friends

John

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who will visit this Country, to participate in Celebrating the Centenary during the Summer of 1798.

Passed unanimously.

The Meeting was adjourned

Signature

Chairman

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Wednesday 8th December — A Weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day at 7 O'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 — "Also, "To Counsel with Mr Colfer, our Solicitor, and receive advice as to the legal enforcement of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, in new Rds."

Members present — Mesrs —

Matthew J. Flinn, Chairman, in the Chair.
Patrick Kennedy
Joseph Roche
Michael J. Stephenson
Peter J. Byrne
Patrick Tierney
Patrick Lyons.

Cheques were issued for the following amounts —

139	Weekly Bill	£4-2-6
140	James Barron, Collector, amt of a/c for Poor Rates	14-11-9
141	James Connolly, Contract Repairs of Thatch	10-0-0

Street Inspectors Report — I have to state, that on this

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this day, (29th hour) the County Surveyor Called my attention to the Channel at foot-path on High Hill, and told me the Outside of the Channel was too high and to have two inches taken off from the Small Grate down to the lower Grate and Cement it over to allow the water off the road way into the Channel.

3 Dec. One boatload of limestones has been delivered by Patrick Roche's Man, Ballyane for the Commissioners this day

The following were read.

County Surveyor's Office, Wexford December 6th 1897.

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of Yours of the 3rd inst. which is receiving my attention. Unless You hear to the Contrary from me You may expect me to visit New Ross on Monday 13th inst. by the train arriving about 10 O'clock A.M. I would go to morrow but that You want a Couple of days notice, and I have engagements for most of this week in other Baronies. As regards Your threat (I Can well Call nothing else) that Unless I do as Your Commissioners desire an "inspection in accordance with the Specification, and a report Made thereof, to be afterwards Used Officially" may may be Made. I may tell You that I have always shown deference to the wishes

of the Town Commissioners, and such threats are thrown away and are entirely uncalled for.

Yours faithfully
Henry Webster, M. Inst. C.E.

To John Gobin Town Clerk,
New Rop.

Cambrin, New Rop, 8th December 1897.

Dear Sir,

The County Surveyor's instructions given to Mr Redmond, Street inspector on the 29th ultimo relative to the new water-table in High Hill street, not yet having been Completed carried out. I would ask you to have the matter attended to as soon as possible in order to enable me to have the street put into proper order.

Sam, Sir,.
Yours faithfully
W. H. Jones.
Assistant Co. Surveyor.

The Chairman
Town Commissioners,
New Rop.

Ordered — that a reduction of two inches be taken off the outside of the Concrete water table at High Hill in accordance with the directions given by the County Surveyor to our Street Inspector, on the 29th November, and that William Carty be employed to do the work required.

The following was read.

Irish Financial Reform League.
Mansion House, Dublin, December 1897.

Sir, I will take it as a favour if you will be

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be good enough to inform me what action (if any) has been taken by your Board on the question of the Financial Relations between Great Britain and Ireland.

If a branch of the Irish Financial Reform has been established, I will thank you to forward to forward me the name and address of the Hon. Sec. The number of Members &c

In the event of your Board not having yet taken any action in the matter, will you Kindly submit the enclosed Resolutions for adoption.

A great public meeting to protest against the overtaxation of Ireland will be held in the Rising Room, Mansion House, Dublin, on Wednesday 8th December, at 8 o'clock P.M.. Will you Kindly bring this matter before the members of your Board with a view to their being represented.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant

A. Keogh Nolan

Hon. Secretary.

Copy of the three Resolutions referred to in the Circular were annexed as also, a brief address to the people of Ireland on the subject, together with paragraphs of the Constitution of the Irish Financial Reform League.

Ordered

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Ordered - That the Clerk inform the Hon. Secretary of the Irish Financial Reform League, that though a Representative to attend the Meeting of the League in the Mansion House on the 8 Instant has not been appointed, preparations have been in progress for the formation of a Local Branch of the League in New Ross for this District of the County Wexford, and that a Meeting of Representatives from the New Ross Board of Guardians, New Ross Harbour Commissioners, and New Ross Town will be held on the 15th Instant in the Town Commissioners office to form a local Branch, with the assistance of Mr Peacocke, Belmont, Wexford, who will be present.

A letter Circular was received from Mountmellick Union, with Copy of a Resolution adopted by the Board of Guardians, asking assistance in making a Move in favour of drainage of the River Barrow to prevent flooding in Rainy weather.

No Order Made.

The following was read.

New Ross Gas Company (Limd) New Ross, December 3rd 1897

Dear Sir,

In reply to Yours of the 30th November I am directed to Say that as We quite recently

altered

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Altered position of Lamp at Fairgate to position pointed out by Committee

altered the position of the lamp at Fair gate, mentioned in your letter, to the position pointed out by your Committee, we Cannot entail further expense in Connection therewith — We will remove it to the position you indicate, but will be obliged to Charge the Cost of doing so, to the Commissioners which Cost will be about 17/6 including the lamp post you refer will be used, which by the way, is the property of this Company.

I may add that our Manager Considers the position you suggest being so unprotected from heavy traffic on Fair days an unsuitable one for a lamp post.

Lamp Hill School removed

The lamp at the High Hill school has been removed in accordance with your letter.

Lamp Rosbercon Chapel was lit on 21st November but extinguished afterwards how extinguished we cannot tell informed police about it.

As to Complaint re lamp at Rosbercon Chapel the lamplighter reported having lit the lamp as usual on the night Complained of 21st November last, and how it was afterwards extinguished we are unable to say. However we have drawn the attention of the police to the matter.

I am further directed to say in reply to the paragraph of your letter Complaining of alleged neglect in lighting of the lamps, that no lamp has been left unlighted

Unlighted to our Knowledge and that this Company are always desirous of fulfilling the terms of their Contracts Satisfactorily

Yours faithfully
D. Hunt
Sec'y.

John Gobin, Town Clerk.

Ordered – That the Clerk write in reply, to the Secretary of the Gas Company, stating that the lamp post in the Commissioners' Yard referred to in this letter, is the property of the Town Commissioners.

The following was read.

Belmont Wexford, 6th December 1897.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 3rd Inst. I shall have much pleasure in attending a Meeting of Deputies and appointed by the three representative Boards of New Rds. and Convened for Wednesday the 15th Inst. at 12 O'clock.

Please let me have a line to say where the Meeting will be held. I suppose the Local Press will receive intimation of a Meeting being about to be held.

Yours faithfully
C. H. Reaeoke.

John Gobin
Town Clerks Office
New Rds.

Ordered – That the Clerk Write to Mr Reaeoke, stating that the Meeting of the representatives of the Public Bodies will meet

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meet in the Town Commissioners Office, that the Representatives of the Local Press are likely to be present as they attend all the Public Meetings here, Also, if he would deem it desirable to hold a Public Meeting after the deliberations of the Representatives of the Public Bodies, and if so, to drop a line by Return, that posters may be printed as soon as possible. Also, that he will state the time he will arrive in Town Rep.

A Specification was read from Br J. Connolly.

Ordered — That the Advertisements be issued inviting proposals for the Completion of the work.

A Specification was was received from Mr A. Cullen for Repairs and Changes in the house occupied by E. Fitzharris Fair Gate.

Ordered — That the Consideration of the Specification be adjourned to next Meeting.

A Circular was read from Vincent Griffith, Treasury office London, transmitting a Form to be filled and returned.

The Return Contained £10-0-0 as the Sum to be Rated as Government property in Lieu of Rates

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Rates.

Ordered — That the Return be filled and transmitted, as required

The following was read.

Offices, New Rop, 7th December 1897.

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of Yours of this date informing me that the Commissioners request my attendance at 7-30 to morrow evening to advise them in reference to the enforcement of the provisions of the Towns Improvement Act, the Conference and advice to be in Committee or in public as I may advise.

In reply I shall be in attendance at the hour mentioned, but I strongly advise that Communication between the Commissioners, and their Solicitor shall not be made public. It is quite unusual and and opposed to all principles of sound business -

John Gobin
Town Clerk New Rop.

Yours very truly
John R Colfer

After the Conclusion of Ordinary business the Commissioners Resolved themselves into a Committee to Confer with Mr Colfer and take his advice as to the legal enforcement of the Towns Improvement Act in New Rop.

Mr Colfer attended the meeting of the Committee.

During the Conversation on the Subject of

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of the procedure of the adoption of the Towns' Improvement Act in 1854, & ascertain what had been done, the Minute Book of the time was examined, and it was found that the last meeting of the Commissioners, held under the 9th Geo 4th, (the Act under which they had been acting ~~since~~ January 1844) was held on the 1st October 1855, and that the First meeting of the Commissioners under the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, was held on the 15th October 1855. Between the last meeting of the Commissioners under the 9th Geo 4th: and the first meeting under the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act, there were found to be twelve Blank pages, supposed to be left for the necessary entry of the Official Documents, Correspondence &c, and meeting shewing the legal and formal adoption of the Act, and procedure acted on therefor, but no entry of them had been made.

Mr Colfer asked to be supplied by the Clerk with the first page of the Minutes of the last meeting held under the 9th Geo 4th, and the first page of the of the Minutes of the first meeting of the Town Commissioners held under the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. The Clerk was directed to

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to Copy them for McAlpin.

As the name of Mr Hinson, Solicitor, appeared as a Commissioner at the last meeting of the Commissioners under the 9th George 4th, and appeared to be the first Commissioner to take his Declaration as a Commissioner under the Towns Improvement Act. and as it was known that the expenditure for Law Costs for having the Towns Improvement Act adopted, and paid to Mr Hinson therefor it was considered he might have the authentic documents Connected with the adoption of the Act in his possession the Costs amounted to over £58.0.0

Proposed by Mr Kennedy
Seconded by Mr Stephenson —
That Mr Calpin be instructed, if he considers it necessary, to ascertain from Mr Hinson if he has any of the documents in his possession, the property of the Town Commissioners, bearing on the adoption of the Towns Improvement Act of 1854, and that if a search is necessary to be made, that Mr Hinson be allowed a search fee not to exceed £2-2-0. Passed unanimously.

The Meeting was adjourned to ~~Wednesday~~ Friday 10th December 1897.

Jno Mirm
Chairman

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December 10th — Friday 10th December — An Adjourned Meeting of the Town Commissioners held this day at 8½ o'clock P.M. to consider a Parliamentary Notice received from the Promoters of the Fishguard and Rosslare Railways and Harbours Bill and to express "Assent" or "Dissent" as may be considered desirable."

Present — Mess^rs —
Edward McKella in the Chair.
Joseph Roche
Peter J. Byrne
Patrick Lyons
Patrick Tierney.

After due consideration of the subject it was unanimously agreed that "Dissent" be entered on the Card and that same be immediately transmitted to George D. Fottrell & Sons 46 Fleet Street Dublin, Solicitors for the Bill in Ireland.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 15th December 1897.

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Monday
~~Wednesday~~ 13th December An Adjourned Meeting of the Town Commissioners held this day at 8 Oclock P.M. to Consider a Letter from Mr Reacoke and to make arrangements for the Meeting to be held on Wednesday the 15th Instant to Form a Branch of the Irish Financial Reform League

Present Messrs—
✓ Matthew J. Finn Chairman in the Chair
✓ Edward Mitchell
✓ Joseph Roche
✓ Peter J Byrne
✓ William Murphy
✓ Patrick Gannon
✓ Patrick Tierney

The following was read

Belmont, Wexford, 11th December 1897.

Dear Sir,

I have been absent from home attending Meetings of the Irish Financial Reform League in Dublin, and have just received Your letter of the 9th. I intend to go to New Ross by the Train which leaves Wexford at 8.30 A.M. next Wednesday and hope to be able to return by the 3.45 train from New Ross. As You ask my opinion in reference to Your having a Public Meeting next Wednesday, I Consider such a Subject should be left to the discretion of a local Committee which I trust

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trust may be formed next Wednesday

Yours truly

John Lokin C. H. Reaëake.
Town Clerk Hon Sec.

The Resolutions Received from the Central Branch of the Irish Financial Reform League were read and Considered after which it was agreed that they be prepared as principal Resolutions on Wednesday at the Mid day Meeting of the Representatives of the Public Bodies.

It was also decided not to Call a public Meeting, the Press would be represented at the meeting of the representatives.

After arranging some details, the Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 15th December 1897.

John Barron
Chairman

1897— Tuesday 14th December— A Public Meeting
December 14th Called by a Requisition, Signed by the Town Commissioners — Not a single exception to Signing, — and by other Inhabitants of the Town, and presented to the Chairman of the Town Commissioners, on which he had the Meeting duly Convened. The Meeting

was

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Well and representatively attended, the Chairman presiding. Officers & Secretaries and Treasurer appointed and the Meeting adjourned to Tuesday 21st December 1897.

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Wednesday 15th December — A Weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7o Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Present — Messrs

✓ Matthew J. Finn, Chairman in the Chair
✓ Patrick Kennedy
✓ Peter J. Byrne
✓ Patrick Gannon
Patrick Tierney.

144 The Weekly Bill amounting to £4-7-6

A Proposal for erection of a Shed in the Pound was sent in from Mr J. Connolly — to do the work for £10-10-0
Ordered — That the Consideration of the Proposal be adjourned to next meeting the members to be noticed to attend.

The following was read.

Dear Sir

In reference to the question raised at the last Meeting of the Commissioners as to whether the Commissioners were in Legal proof that the Towns Improvement Act

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Act had been obtained, the 15th Section of that Act prescribes that a Copy of the Dublin Gazette Containing the Notification of the Lord Lieutenants approval of the Resolution of the Ratepayers to adopt the Act shall be Conclusive evidence in all Courts that the Act has been legally adopted.

I have made enquiries and ascertained that a Copy of the Gazette Containing this notice is not now procurable, but that the filed Copy in the Gazette Office may be inspected, and the Copy itself produced in Court by one of the staff of the Gazette. The only document, therefore which would be of any use to the Commissioners is a Copy of the Gazette in question, and if Mr Kinsella has not this Copy it would, I think be scarcely worth while to pay £2-2-0 for any other document which he may have

It is very improbable that anyone will ever raise the point that there is no proof of the adoption of the Act, and if the point is raised the filed Copy from the Gazette Office Could be produced

Under these Circumstances I shall postpone writing to Mr Kinsella until

hear again from You

Yours very truly
J. McCalfe

John Lohin
Town Clerk New Ross.

Ordered — That McCalfe be asked to state, if he Considers that a Copy of the "Dublin Gazette" Could be used as Sufficient Evidence in Court, if it does not ~~state~~ shew exactly the portions of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, adopted in New Ross in 1855, and ~~also~~ also state the section or sections of the Act that were not adopted.

Ordered — That the members be Noticed to attend the adjourned Meeting to be held on Friday 17th December 1897 — to Consider an Application to be made respecting foot paths, &c to next Presenting Lessins in Clonroche & to Consider the desirability of having another lamp fixed at High Hike

~~Street~~ Inspectors Report — The Manager of the Gas works on this date got a lamp post from the Commissioners yard in Marsh Lane & he put down at Fair Gate

The Tenant for the beam and scales

for

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for weighing potatoes on the Quay
Lane up the on last week.

Inside the rails on the footpath at Mr A. Doyles stone on the Quay a flag got loose and broke and water stops around it and a flag is required to be put down on the footpath.

Ordered — That ~~that~~ the flag be fixed on on the ~~footpath~~ at Doyles stone.

The Meeting was adjourned to Friday 17th December 1897.

1897 — December 17th

Friday 17th December — An Adjourned Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day at ½ to 12 o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 — Also — To Consider a proposal for the erection of a Shed in the pound.

To Consider the desirability of making applications for Works at the Footpaths of the Town.

To Consider the necessity of having another lamp fixed at the Footpath steps at high Hill.

Members

Members in attendance — Messrs —
: Patrick Kennedy
: Joseph Roche
: Patrick Gannon
A Quorum not having assembled
the meeting was adjourned to Monday
20th December 1897.

1897 —
December 20th — Monday 20th December — An Adjourned meeting of the Town Commissioners to be held this day at 7 o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 and — Also — To consider the business specified in Notice for Friday — to be held in the Round — Applications for Footpaths — Another lamp at High Hill. Members present — Messrs
: Patrick Tierney
: Peter J Byrne
: Joseph Roche
A Quorum not having assembled
the meeting was adjourned to Wednesday
22nd December 1897.

1897 —
December 22nd — Wednesday 22nd December — A meeting and Street Committee
of the Town Commissioners held this day
after 7 o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland)
Act 1854 Also to transact business
stated in notices for the two adjourned meetings
Members present — Messrs —

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Mesrs — Matthew J. Finn, Chairman, in the Chair
" Patrick Tierney
" Patrick Gannon
" Peter J. Byrne
" William Murphy

146 The Weekly Bill amounted to — £5-3-9

The following was read:—

Offices, New Rds, 22nd December 1897.

Re-Towns Improvement Act.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 21st Inst., the Copy of the "Dublin Gazette" referred to in my last letter Contains the Notice of approbation mentioned in the 16th Section of the Act, and this Notice Specifies the Sections which were not adopted by the New Rds Commissioners. The Gazette therefore is sufficient evidence for all purposes touching the adoption of the Act, and I may add that when in Dublin recently I Called at the Gazette Office, and obtained a Copy of the Notice in question. This Copy, however, would not be evidence, it is the printed Copy of the Gazette itself, which is the evidence. However, I have discovered a Case of the New Bridge Town Commissioners decided in 1895, in which the Court of Exchequer held, that Evidence, such as is now possessed by your Commissioners,

independent

independent of the Gazette is sufficient proof of the adoption of the Act. You may remember I stated this was my opinion, when I attended the Commissioners meeting, but it is satisfactory to know that the matter does not rest on my opinion, but on a decision of Chief Baron Palles, Judge Andrews and Judge Murphy.

If I can give any further advice ~~as to~~ or assistance in this matter, Kindly let me Know.

Yours very truly

John Robin
Town Clerk, New Ross.

John R Colfer.

Ordered — That Mr Colfer be requested to prepare a Statement of the procedure & the acts on by the Town Commissioners for their guidance in having the Towns' Improvement Act legally and and Satisfactorily Carried out; or, formulate a Resolution Containing their intentions on the Subject that they may adopt for future guidance, as he may deem desirable.

The following was read.

Catholic University, Stephens Green,
Dublin, December 1897.

Dear Mr Chairman,

We enclose Copy of the Resolutions to be proposed at a Public Meeting which will be held at the Mansion House

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Hall, Dublin, on the 11th January, 1898, at 4 o'clock P.M., on the Subject of Catholic University Education in Ireland.

If these Resolutions should meet with the approval of your Body, we are requested by the Committee in Charge of the arrangements to ask that they express that approval in a formal Resolution, and appoint delegates to attend the Meeting.

We should feel obliged by your sending the Resolutions as soon as possible.

We are Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully

A. Birmingham, M.D.
Daniel F. Browne
Michael F. Cox, M.D.
Charles Dawson
Charles F. Doyle
} Hon. Secretaries

Replies should be addressed to the Hon. Secretaries, Lay Committee, 86 Stephens Green Dublin.

A Copy of the Resolutions referred to were annexed. Also list of the General Committee and also of the Organizing Committee.

Ordered — That the Consideration of the Subject be adjourned to next meeting the Members to be noticed to attend.

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A Communication was read from Charles A. L. Wood, Rugwash Cumberland County, Nova Scotia ~~Saying~~ dated December 6th 1897.— Saying — Would You be so ~~good~~ Kind as to tell me if the property owned by Patrick Kelly in New Ross, Wexford County, Ireland is unclaimed there, or did Leander Corbett and Cecilia Wood get it?. Please answer by return of Mail and I will pay you for your trouble

Ordered that the Consideration be adjourned the Clerk to make enquiries respecting the matter

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 29th December 1897.

Jno J Winn
Chairman

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1897— December 29th

Wednesday 29th December — A weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and ~~Street~~ Committee held this day after 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business ~~and~~ pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 and Also — "To Consider and decide on a Circular and Resolution in favour of a Catholic University for Ireland." Present — Messrs —

Matthew J. Finn, Chairman in the Chair
Patrick Kennedy
Patrick Tierney
Peter J. Byrne
Michael J. Stephenson
Joseph Roche
Patrick Gannon

1148 The weekly Bill amounted to — £4-2-0

The Street Inspector was Called before the Meeting respecting the uncleaned state of some of the footpaths on Sunday morning and other times.

In reply he stated that W Scanlan was most inefficient, inattentive and disobedient in doing his work at the struts, and that he (Inspector) Could not be accountable for the work being properly done, unless Scanlan was changed or himself changed in Habits and manners so as to be like any other man. That he (Inspector) would say more if Scanlan was present.

The Inspector was directed to give particular attention

attention to having the footpaths Re Cleaned Where required.

The Clerk was directed to write to W. Scanlan reminding him that he had been previously, on several occasions, Cautioned verbally, by directions of the Commissioners, and inform him that if in the future he is not sober, obedient and attentive in performing his work, same as other sober attentive men in other employments, he will be dismissed from the Commissioners employment without further Notice.

The following was read.

New Ross, December 29th 1897.

To the New Ross Town Commissioners.

Dear Sirs

I wrote You two letters on November 9th & 16th with reference to my Holding, Copies of which I enclose.

If You will send me a reply at Convenience You will oblige

Yours truly

Patrick Delaney

Tenant of Bennetts Knock

Copies here annexed.

Ordered — that the matter of Mr Delaneys letter be adjourned to next Meeting when Mr Culfers letter will be received, Mr Delany to be informed of the Order.

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the Resolutions respecting the Catholic University for Ireland were Considered

Proposed by Mr Kennedy
seconded by Mr Byrne

that it is the
" Constitutional right of all British subjects
" to adopt whatever system of Collegiate or
" University Education they prefer.

"That perfect religious equality involves
" equality in all educational advantages
" afforded by the state.

"That a large number of Irishmen
" are at present precluded from the enjoy-
" ment of University Education, Honours, and
" emoluments, on account of Conscientious
" religious opinions regarding the existing
" systems of Education.

"That we therefore demand such a Change
" in the System of Collegiate and University
" Education as will place those who entertain
" these Conscientious objections on a footing
" of equality with the rest of their fellow-Coun-
" trymen as regards Colleges, University Honours
" and Emoluments, University examination, Govern-
" ment and Representation.

That we Call on the Government to interpose
no further delay in dealing with this urgent
and important question, and on the Irish Members
of Parliament to use every effort to press it forward.

The

The Resolutions were put and passed unanimously.

The Street Inspector was Called before the meeting and directed to get William Carty to Cut off two inches of the Water Channel at ~~at~~ the Street side at High Hill as directed by the County Surveyor

After some Conversation of the Fish Guard and Rosslare Railways and Harbours Bill, the Clerk was directed to prepare a requisition to be signed by the Town Commissioners first and by the Traders and Inhabitants of the Town and locality, addressed to the Chairman of the Town Commissioners requesting him to ~~Call~~ Convene a Public Meeting to Consider and decide on the best steps to be taken to oppose the passing of the Bill.

Ordered – That the Finance Committee be summoned to meet on Friday

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 5th January 1898

Augustine
Chairman

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1898 — Monday 3rd January — Monthly Meeting
January 3rd day. No attendance of Members. The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 5th January 1898.

1898 — Wednesday 5th January — An ~~Adjourned~~ Weekly
January 5th and adjourned Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and of the Street Committee, ~~held~~ to be held this day at ½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Present — Messrs —

1 Patrick Kennedy
1 Patrick Tierney
1 Peter J. Byrne
1 Patrick Lyamon

A Quorum not having assembled the Meeting was adjourned to Friday the 7th January 1898.

1898 — Friday 7th January An Adjourned
January 7th Weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after ½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 Present — Messrs —

1 Matthew J Finn Chairman in the Chair
1 William Murphy
1 Michael J Stephenson
1 Patrick Tierney
1 Peter J Byrne

2 The Weekly Bill amounts to £4-4-8

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Street Inspectors' Report — I got the outside of the Channel on High Hill Cut down and Cemented over on this Week by William Canty.

There are ten heaps of manure now ready for sale in the Commissioners Yard on this date (5th January).

Ordered — That Advertisements be issued inviting proposals for the Sale of the manure.

A Circular was read from the Hon. Secretary of the Technical Education Association for Ireland, 20 Kildare Street, stating both Memorandum on the Creation of a Board of Agriculture and Industries for Ireland, and Copy of a Resolution to be Considered by the Commissioners with the view to its adoption

Ordered — That the Consideration of the documents be adjourned to next Meeting the Members to be Noticed to attend.

An Application was read from Mr P. Bolger Auctioneer asking for the use of the large Room on the 12th January to hold a property sale

Ordered — That the use of the Room be given to Patrick Bolger to hold a property sale, for the for

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for the Sum of 5/-

Ordered — That the Committee appointed to see McAlpin respecting the Lucktown Sewer, be requested to inspect Mr Galavans premises in Lucktown and report their opinions as to the repairs required to be done on the houses.

Ordered — That the Clerk formulate a Circular and send it to Messrs (list of persons named below) requesting them to meet at 8 Oclock sharp in the Town Commissioners' Office on Monday 10th January 1898.
— To Consider and decide on procedure, Resolutions &c to be proposed for adoption at the Public Meeting at 7-30 P.M. in the large Room, Thalia on Tuesday 11th January 1898, to express the Public Opinion of the people of New Ross and vicinity against the passing of the Fishguard and Rosslare Railways Bill, in its present form —

Messrs D. B. Kearn J.P. T. J. Kearn J.P. Thos Doyle, Surgeon General Chmn, T. J. Doyle J.P. C. W. Carr, B. Hennessy. Messrs — Colfer & Gethin, Solrs P. Balfe. P Kennedy J.P. P. J. Byrne J.P. M. J. Finn J.P. E. Mitchell J.P. M J Stephenson J.P. John Chevers J.P. D. Murphy J.P. H. G. Hinson Solicitor Jr. T. E. Boyd, Solicitor.

The

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 12th January 1898.

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Monday 10th January — A Meeting of the persons named at the Meeting of the Town Commissioners held on the 4th January and Called to meet by Circular from the Clerk and held in the Town Commissioners' Office on this date — "To Consider and decide on Procedure, Resolutions &c to be adopted and Carried out at the public Meeting to be held ~~on~~ at 7h oclock P.M. in the Large Room in the Tholsel, on the 11th January 1898 to express the Public Opinion of the people of this Town and vicinity against the passing of the "Fishguard and Rosslare Railways Bill" in its present form.

Present — Messrs —

Matthew J Finn Chairman Town Commissioners in the Chair.

Surgeon General Cherry, John S. Hearne

J. T. E. Boyd, Solicitor,

Charles W. Carr.

✓ Patrick Kennedy P.C. & H.C.

John R Colfer, Solicitor

Patrick Bolger

✓ David Murphy J.C.

Dr Cherry proposed and W Bolger seconded

that

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the adoption of a Resolution to be proposed at the public Meeting and after some discussion it was approved.

The following Gentlemen were appointed to attend as a Deputation on behalf of the Traders &c of the Town to wait on the Harbour Commissioners of New Ross at their meeting to be held on Wednesday 12th January 1898 at 11 O'clock A.M. to request the Harbour Commissioners to use their Official influence and Power in opposing the Fishguard and Rosslare Railway Bill in its present form

Mess^rs —

Charles W. Carr, Priory Street
Surgeon General Cherry, Creywell
John Doyle, Quay Street
James S. Power Bridge Street
Edward Walsh South Street.

It was agreed that Dr. Cherry propose and that Mr Bolger second the Resolution agreed on to be proposed at the Public Meeting to be held in the large Room Thereof, on Tuesday evening 11th January 1898.

Mr William G. Williams Jun^r Quay Street was selected to be proposed to act as Secretary to the

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the Public Meeting on his Consenting to act.

The Meeting was adjourned

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Wednesday 12th January - A Weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7 o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Present Mess^rs -

✓ Patrick Kennedy, in the Chair
✓ Patrick Tierney
✓ Peter J. Byrne
✓ Patrick Gannon
✓ Joseph Roche

The Weekly Bills amounted to £4-4-9

Ordered - That Mess^rs - P.J. Byrne J. Roche and P. Tierney inspect Mr Galavan's premises in Irishtown and report the the result of their inspection.

A proposal was read from Mr James Connolly for the repair of the upper part of the South west pier of the Fair Gate, in the following manner - To build up the breach in the top pier with Cement and stones same as are in the rest of building, and Cap off the top part of wall in Cement and point the pier in Cement, the whole way down. I will supply all material and

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and Workmanship and finish the
the work to your satisfaction for the
Sum of £3-15-0

Ordered — That Wm James Connollys proposal
for the finishing repairs at the Fair Gate
as stated in his proposal for the
Sum of £3-15-0 be accepted.

The following was read

Catholic University, Stephens Green
Dublin 10th January 1898

Catholic University question.

Dear Sir,

Beleg to acknowledge with
many thanks your letter of January 8th
informing us that your board had
passed a Resolution in favour of the
speedy settlement of the Catholic University
Question, and nominated Delegates to
attend the Dublin meeting on January
13th for which We are much obliged

We remain Faithfully Yours
A Birmingham LL.D
Daniel Browne } Hon
Michl Cox M.D. } Secs
Charles Dawson } pro tem.
Charles F Doyle }

Manure

Proposals were received from D. Murphy
Lew Rop for 2 heaps of manure @ 2/6
per

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per heap

Manure — From John Power, Camblin for four heaps at 23/- per heap

Manure — Ordered — That David Murphys proposal for two heaps of manure at 22/6 per heap be accepted

Manure — Ordered — That ~~the~~ Powers proposal for four heaps of manure @ 23/- heap be accepted.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 19th January 1898.

1898 — January 17th — Monday 17th January. A Special Meeting of the Town Commissioners held this day, — Called by the following Requisition ——

We the undersigned Town Commissioners Request a Special Meeting of the Town Commissioners to be held on Monday 17th January 1898, at 7-30 P.M. — To Consider a Resolution received from the Secretary of the Harbour ~~Board~~ Commissioners respecting the appointment of Fire Town Commissioners, to act in Conjunction with the Harbour Commissioners and others as a Standing Committee to take steps to oppose the "Fishguard and Rosslare Railways

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Railways and Harbours" Bill, — and to make said appointments
New Rep 13th January 1898.

M. J. Finn
P. Tierney
Wm Murphy
James Dowling
E. McKella

The following notice was issued —
— To Consider a Resolution received from the Secretary to the Harbour Commissioners, of the appointment of five Town Commissioners to act with the Harbour Commissioners, and others, as a standing Committee, to take steps to oppose the "Fishguard and Rosslare Railways and Harbours" Bill, and to make said appointments.

Members present — Messrs —
Peter J. Byrne in the Chair
Patrick Kennedy
John Meehan
Patrick Gannon
Patrick Tierney

The following is a Copy of the Resolution received from the Harbour Commissioners — That a Committee of the whole Harbour Board together with five Members of the Town Commissioners, to be appointed by

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by them, with the five gentlemen named at the Public meeting, to form a standing Committee. The duties of the Joint Committee to be, to take all practicable steps they may deem necessary to oppose the passing of the "Fishguard and Rosslare Railways and Harbours Bill in its present form, or Compel the promoters to introduce a Bill for building a Sufficiently High level Bridge to allow the free passage of trading vessels to and from the Port of New Ross, or the ~~alterations~~ alternative of obtaining running powers over the Dublin, Wicklow & Wexford Companys lines from Wexford to Waterford Via the New Ross Extension Railways now about to be Constructed."

Proposed by Mr Kennedy—
Seconded Mr Lyons

That the following Seven Commissioners be appointed to act in Conjunction with the Harbour Commissioners and others as a standing Committee to devise the most feasible means of opposing the "Rosslare Railway and Harbours Bill in its present form

Messrs— David Murphy
Peter J Byrne
John Meehan
Patrick Tierney
Joseph Roche — Passed Unanimously

The Meeting was adjourned.

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Wednesday 19th January — A weekly meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7 o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 Also — "To Consider a Circular respecting the establishment of Technical Education, and a Board of Agriculture and Industries for Ireland".

Members present — viper —

Matthew J. Finn, Chairman, in the Chair
Patrick Tierney
Peter J. Byrne
John Meehan
Patrick Gannon
Patrick Kennedy

The Muckley Bill amounts £5. 8. 6

Street Inspectors Report — the new pump for the Three Bullet Gate has been delivered by Mr Kearns on this day (17th Inst) — Pump head and Six lengths, pump Rods and bag of screws.

Manure — Proposals for Manure were read from Philip Kelly, Camblin, two heaps @ 22/6 per heap.
Manure — John Byrne, Camblin, Two heaps @ 22/6 per heap
Manure — John Cheevers, two heaps @ 22/6 per heap.

Ordered — that Philip Kellys proposal for two heaps of Manure @ 22/6 per heap be accepted
Ordered — that John Byrne's proposal for two heaps

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heaps of Manure be accepted at 22/6 per heap

Ordered - That the proposal from John Cheevers for two heaps be accepted, at 22/6 per heap.

The following was read.

Harbour Commissioners' Office
New Ross, 19th January 1898

Sirs,

I have to inform You, that at a Meeting of the Harbour Board held this day, Mr M. J. Finn, Chairman of the Town Commissioners was appointed as one of a deputation, to proceed to London to appear at the Treasury, and other public Departments, if deemed desirable, to represent the ruinous effect on the trade of New Ross that would be caused by the erection of a low level bridge over the Ross River, as intended by the present Rosslare and Fishguard Railway Bill.

I remain, Yours &c
P. John Lobin, Town Clerk — Patrick Kennedy
Secretary R.T.C.

Proposed by Mr Byrne
seconded by Mr Meehan -

That our Chairman be requested to represent the Town Commissioners as their Chairman, on the deputation, appointed by the Standing Committee of the Harbour Harbour Commissioners, Town Commissioners, and Traders of the Town of New Ross and vicinity

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vicinity, to attend at the Treasury Departm-
-ent, and other Public Bodies if Considered
desirable, in London, to represent the
ruinous effect on the trade of New Ross
that would be Caused by the erection
of a low level bridge over the Rosbrien
as proposed by the present Rosslare
and Fishgard Railway Bill.

Passed unanimously.

The following was read.

New Ross. 18th January 1898

Dear Sir,

I had intended writing you full
on the matter "re Irishtown Drainage" tomorrow
so as to have my letter for the Commissioners'
meeting tomorrow night, but unfortunate-
-ly I have to leave for Dublin by first
train tomorrow and therefore can't
explain my views as I had expected
hoped to do. You may, however, assure
the Commissioners that I am Carefully
Considering the matter, and will write them
fully in time for next week's Meeting. It is
a difficult Case to find a Satisfactory
Solution of.

Yours truly
John R Colfer.

John Robin
Town Clerk.

The following were read.

Offices, New Ross, 19th January 1898.

Dear Sir, In reply to your letter asking us

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to prepare a Statement of the procedure
the acted on by the Town Commissioners
for their guidance in having the Towns
Improvement Act legally ~~Carried~~ and
Satisfactorily Carried out, or formulate
Resolutions on the Subject- we find a
difficulty in doing what is required,
because perfectly full and explanatory
directions would almost necessitate
the writing of a treatise on the Subject.

We understand that the Commissioners
are not desirous of having one of their
own body appointed a Borough Magi-
strate, but will be satisfied that
prosecutions for offences under the Act
shall be dealt with by the existing
Magistrates. If this be so, we think the
simplest way of going to work will
be to pass the Resolutions ~~Marked~~
which we have marked a No 1, or a
Resolution to the like effect and have
a Copy of it sent to Mr Davies. D. L..

We would also suggest as a matter
of Convenience that Resolution No 2
should also be passed. In strictness
the legality of this Resolution might be
open to question, but if the Order of the
Commissioners must be obtained in each
case We think the proceedings Could
be very much hampered and delayed, and
We are informed that in other Towns
the Prosecutions are Commenced by the

Town

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Town Clerk under the authority of a General Resolution, such as the enclosed without obtaining an order to prosecute in each Case.

If these Resolutions are adopted the Town Clerk should be provided with a Book in which he would enter the nature of the Offence reported to him, the name of the Constable or other Officer reporting it, the date of the Offence, and the name and addres of the Offender, and then a reasonable time before the holding of the Court each week he should give a list of the Cases for prosecution to the Clerk of Petty Sessions.

The foregoing is a brief sketch of the procedure. If further particulars are required we shall be happy to answer any specific questions submitted to us, or we will at any time attend a Meeting of Commissioners to confer on the subject or receive a Committee of their Members here.

Yours very truly
Colfer & Gethin.

John Gabbett
Town Clerk, New Ross

Resolutions Referred to —

No 1. Proposed by
Seconded by
and Resolved That the Commissioners deem

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deem it advisable that all proper and necessary steps should be taken for prosecuting persons found Committing offences against the 72 section of the Towns Improvement Act 1854 and for this purpose that the Town Clerk be directed to Communicate with the District Inspector of the Royal Irish Constabulary at New Ross, requesting the Cooperation of the Constabulary for this object, and that the Police on duty be directed to report to the Town Clerk from time to time the particulars of offences against said Act, which came under their notice and the names of the offenders.

No 2. Proposed by
Seconded by
and Resolved

That the Town Clerk be authorised and empowered to issue Summonses and prosecute to a Conviction all persons reported to him by the Constabulary, or by any Officer of the Commissioners, as having Committed a breach of the provisions of Section 72 of the Towns Improvement Act 1854; Without obtaining an Order of the Commissioners for each prosecution.

Ordered - That the Consideration of the letter and documents received from Messrs - Calfe & Gethin be adjourned

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& next weekly meeting, the members & be
Noticed & Letters & Consider same

The Chairman stated that Communications
were expected from Wexford respecting
the County meeting & be held in Wexford
on Monday 24th January 1898 in favour
of the establishment of a Catholic Univer-
-sity in Ireland, & which it would be
well to have Representatives from the
Local Commissioners appointed & repre-
-sent here Rep in Wexford at that meeting.
That it would be well to adjourn this
meeting so that on receipt of such invitation
the Commissioners could be Noticed to
attend and appoint representatives &
attend the County Meeting. Agreed to.

The Meeting was adjourned & 9 o'clock P.M.
Saturday 22nd January 1898, & appoint
Representatives & attend the meeting on Monday
in Wexford.

Jas Grimes
Chairman

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January 22nd.

Saturday 22nd January An Adjourned Meeting of the Town Commissioners held this day at 9 o'clock P.M. To Consider important Communications respecting the important Meeting to be held in Wexford on Monday 24th January 1898, in favour of a Catholic University for Ireland. Present— Messrs—

Matthew J Finn Chairman in the Chair
Peter J Byrne
Patrick Kennedy
Joseph Roche
William Murphy

The following was read.

Ardwath, Wexford January 20th 1898.

Dear Sir,

I enclose a Circular respecting the Great Meeting at Wexford with regard to question of Catholic University Education.

We desire to make the Wexford Meeting fully equal to the Limerick or Dublin assemblies and we should be very grateful should the new Body Town Commissioners be willing to send delegates

Yours faithfully
M. A. Emmis

Matthew J. Finn Esqr

A printed Circular from Mr Emmis was also received on the same subject.

After some Conversation it was

agreed

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agreed that Messrs — Joseph L. Roche, Peter J Byrne and Patrick Kennedy be the representatives on behalf of the Town Commissioners at the Meeting in Wexford on Monday 24th January 1898.

Signature
Chairman

1898 — January 26th — Wednesday 26th January — A meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 — Also — To consider a Communication and Resolutions received from Mr Colfer respecting the administration of the Towns Improvement Act. Also, a Communication respecting Technical Education.

Members present — Messrs —

Matthew Finn Chairman, in the Chair
Patrick Tierney
Patrick Gannon
Peter J. Byrne
John Meehan
Joseph Roche

10 Cheques issued — Weekly Bill — £5.12.6
11 L Hannigan Collector of Inland Revenue — 10.4

The Chairman stated that at the previous meeting

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an Order had been made that Mr Colfer be asked about the disposal of the Fines. under the Towns Improvement Act.

The Clerk said he had not recollected it.

Proposed by Mr Roche
Seconded by Mr Tierney — That Messrs Colfer & Gethin be requested to send replies to any Communications they have received from the Town Commissioners respecting their business that have not been answered, without avoidable delay

Carried

Mr Byrne stated that persons had been speaking about the advantage of having some trees planted from the Bridge to the pump, which would shade the unsightliness of the old pill and make the place look well.

Ordered — That the Consideration of the Subject be adjourned to next Meeting, the Members to be notified to attend to Consider Same

Ordered — That the Members be notified to attend next Meeting to Consider on the appointment of a Committee to see that the best steps are taken to have the Labourers Cottages built in Town

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Laghmore, 26th January 1898.

Sir,

As I see it is intended to alter the dates of your fairs, you will please see that they do not clash with ours. At other side you have Correct dates of them.

Yours faithfully
James Keating

The Chairman
Town Commissioners, New Rds

2nd and 16th January - 1st & 16th February
1st & 18th March 2nd & 15th April
2nd & 28th May, 20th June
2nd & 16 July, 6 & 22nd August
7 September 1 & 21st October
13th November 1 & 19th December

Ordered— That the Clerk acknowledge receipt of the letter and state that it will receive due Consideration, Whenever the Commissioners will be Considering the Change in the days for holding the Fairs in New Rds.

The following was read

Lisktown New Rds, 26th January 1898

To the Presiding Chairman of the New Rds Town Commissioners.

Gentlemen,

I have every reason to Complain of the manner in which I have been treated by

by the removal of the lamp from the Corner of the house in the Drighttown, now occupied by Mr Byrne to the place it now stands.

I do not for a moment object to its removal of the lamp from the Corner of the house in the Drighttown now occupied by Mr Byrne to the place where it now stands.

I do not for a moment to object to its removal from Mr Byrnes house but I most strongly object to have it put in a position that places the front of my house and the entrance to it in Complete darkness.

As far as I understand the Committe that has first to do with the matter decided to have this lamp put on or near the Gable end of Butlers house.

But Mr Byrne knew better and disregarding the order of the Committe, was having it removed, not to Butlers house but farther up above the entrance to Mr Gallaghans Yard.

This I need not tell You would have rendered the Gas practically useless to any-one living in Cockpit Lane.

Some of the members were at once Communicated with. They Came and Saw for themselves, with the result that it was put

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put back to the place where the Committee originally intended it.

Mr Byrne was not yet satisfied. Another Committee was appointed, himself being one of the members, and had it transferred to the spot, where it now stands and in the middle of the footpath.

If this lamp was put back to Buler's house or a little above it so as to throw its light into Cockpit Lane, and across my entrance, I would have no reason to Complain.

But to Lay the last of it, Mr Byrne, as a Member of a Public Board, should not use that position to the injury or annoyance of those who have to bear their share of the public expenditure, even though they should happen to be his neighbours.

I am Gentlemen
Your obedient Servant
John Fitzgerald

Ordered — That the Consideration of the letter be adjourned to next Meeting, the Clerk to ascertain particulars respecting the Committees appointed to see about the arrangement of the Lamps.

A Circular was received from the Hon. Secretaries, to the Committee of a Convention, to be held in Wexford on 3rd February 1898 —

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—The Rev. P. Doyle L.L. & I.U. Walsh—
stating that the Co. Wexford Convention
had been adjourned to Thursday February
3rd in the Town Hall in Wexford.
It was decided that the Number of Delgates
from each Branch or Parish shall be
five, for which Cards of Admission
are hereby enclosed.
We enclose herewith a Paper and
Draft Resolutions. Hour of Meeting, Two o'clock
Kindly Call a Meeting of your Branch
in due time to elect Delagates, and
as the Meeting will be of Grave Moment
we hope as many Delegates as possible
will attend.
The Agenda was also received
No Order made.
The Meeting was adjourned to
Wednesday 2nd February 1898.
Proposition
Chairman

1898 — Monday 31st January — A meeting of the
January 31st Finance Committee to be held this day
at 8 O'clock P.M. to transact business
of the Committee and to Consider the
Auditors Report &c — Present — Mesrs —
1 Patrick Kennedy
1 Matthew J Flinn
A Quorum not having assembled
the Meeting was adjourned.

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1898 —
February 2nd

Wednesday 2nd February — A Weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners ~~acting~~ and duly Committee held this day at ½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Also — "To Consider a ~~Resolution~~ Communication and Resolutions received from — Messrs - Colfer & Gethin respecting the administration of the Towns Improvement Act in New Ross.

"To Consider the desirability of planting trees from the Bridge to the pump in Rochecon.

"To Consider the appointment of a Committee to see as to the best means of getting Labourers Cottages built.

Present Messrs —

Matthew Finn, Chairman, in the Chair

The Weekly Bill amounting to £4.15.8

The following was read.

Offices, New Ross, 2nd February 1898.

Dear Sir,

I have just now (6 Oclock P.M.) received your letter dated Yesterday enclosing me a Map of premises in William Street proposed to be taken on lease from Col. Tottenham for sites for Labourers Dwellings.

I will write you fuller on the Matter very shortly, as I could not properly discuss it in a letter which could be in time for the Commissioners Meeting this

⊕ Omission - Members present at Meeting —
Patrick Kennedy
Joseph Rock
Patrick Hunt.
Patrick Tierney
Patrick Lyamon
William Murphy.
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this evening.

Yours very truly
John R Colfer

John Gahin
Town Clerk, New Ross.

Ordered — That Mr Colfer be requested to attend next meeting of the Town Commissioners, to Confer with them as to the present administration of the Towns Improvement Act in New Ross, and to advise them as to how the Commissioners will derive most advantage from the fines inflicted under the Act.

The following tenders were received for the work of fixing part of the Fire Engine Room for a Morgue, in accordance with the Specification

From Andrew Carty at £13-5-0 — securities Michael Hickey and Michael Carty Mary street.

James Connolly — at £ 11-15-0 — No sureties named.

Patrick Leacy — at £11-10-0 — securities David Murphy and Martin Doherty.

Proposed by Mr Gannon
Seconded by Mr Roche — That Patrick Leaceys proposal be accepted, being the lowest and J. Connolly not having named Sureties in his proposal. Passed unanimously

The other business entered in the notice

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Notice was adjourned for Consider-
-ation to next meeting.

Skettering was adjourned to Wednesday
9th February 1898.

Jos Flinn.
Chairman

1898 — Thursday 3rd February — A meeting of the
February 3rd Finance Committee ~~held~~ to be held this day
at 8 Oclock P.M. To transact business of
~~the~~ Committee — Present Messrs
Joseph Roche

A Quorum not having assembled the
meeting was adjourned to 8 Oclock P.M.
Monday 7th February 1898.

1898 — Monday 7th February. A meeting of the
February 7th. Finance Committee to be held this day
at 8 Oclock P.M. to transact business
of the Committee. Present — Messrs
Joseph Roche
Matthew J. Flinn

A Quorum not having assembled the
Meeting was adjourned to

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1898 —
February 9th

Wednesday 9th February — A Weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 1/2 o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Also, to transact adjourned business. Members present — Messrs —

/ Matthew J. Flinn, Chairman, in the Chair.
/ Peter J. Byrne.
/ Joseph Roche
/ Patrick Lyannon
/ Patrick Kennedy

15 The Weekly Bill amounted to £4-9-6

A Communication was read from Mr R. Balger, Auctioneer — Saying — I will thank You to allow me the use of Large Room, on usual terms for holding of Auction Sales on Tuesday and Wednesday next, 15th & 16th instant.

Ordered — That the use of the Room for holding Auctions be given to Mr Balger on the 15 & 16th Instant at 5/- for each Auction.

For the reasons stated in the Resolutions of Condolence entered in the Sanitary Minutes no business was transacted.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 16th February 1898

M J Flinn
Chairman

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February 16th Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street
Committee held this day after 7½ O'clock P.M.
to transact business pursuant to the Towns
Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 — Also —
to transact adjourned and important business

Present — Mayor

Matthew J. Flinn, Chairman, in the Chair
James Dowling
Peter J. Byrne
Joseph Roche
Patrick Tierney.

17 The Weekly Bill amounted to — £4.15.6

In Consequence of the passing of the Vote of
Condolence with Mayor William Murphy and
Patrick Gannon, Members of the Town Commission,
in their bereavement, Caused by the death of Mr
John Moulan, Maudlins, Father-in-law of Mr Murphy
and Uncle by Marriage of Mr Gannon, as Entered
in the Sanitary Minutes, no Municipal business
was transacted.

The Meeting was adjourned to Thursday
17th February 1898.

Matthew J. Flinn
Chairman

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February 17th

Thursday 17th February — An Adjourned Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee to be held this day at 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Also "To transact ~~Orders~~ adjourned and important business." Present — Mssrs —

1 Patrick Tierney
1 Peter J. Byrne
1 Matthew J. Finn

A Quorum not having assembled the Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 23rd February 1898.

1898 —
February 23rd

Wednesday 23rd Febmary — A Meeting of the Town Commissioners and ~~Street~~ Committee held this day after 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854
Also — To Conside a letter from Mary Hickey respecting the Manure Yard
To Conside the desirability of planting trees from the Bridge to the pump in Rochercon
To Conside on the appointments of a Committee & Lee as to the best means of getting the Labourers Cottages beild:
To Confer with Mr Colfer, Solicitor respecting the best means of obtaining most advantage from the fines inflicted under the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act."

Present

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Present — Mepss —
1 Matthew J Finn, Chairman, in the Chair
1 Patrick Tierney
1 Patrick Kennedy
1 Peter J Byrne
1 Joseph Roche
1 Patrick Gannon

The weekly Bill amounted to £5-6-9

For the reason stated in the Resolution passed at the meeting of the Urban Sanitary Authority held this day at 7½ Oclock no business was transacted except signing the Cheques for the weekly labour Bills

The Meeting was adjourned to Thursday 24th Feb. 1898

Chairman

1898 — Thursday 24th February — An Adjourned
February 24th Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 — Also to transact important business omitted in Notice for Yesterdays Meeting.

Present Mepss —
1 Matthew J. Finn
1 Patrick Tierney
1 Peter J. Byrne

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1 Patrick Kennedy
1 Patrick Gannon
1 Joseph Roche

Cheques were issued for the following amts:

20 Maurice McGrath, Collector, Commission on Collections
" as per a/c rendered — £32-11-11

21 James Connolly amt of a/c for additional
" repairs to West ~~side~~ pier of Fair Gate 3-15-0

23 James Connolly amt of a/c for preparing
" ~~Specifica~~ation for Pathway, Mechanics
" lot as per agreement, and repairs at A. Wallaces
" house in William 4/9 ~~Street~~ 14-9

Jany 24 Street Inspectors Report — The wall at the ~~North~~ side of the quay on the quay has been built by William Carty, but the Cement plastering is not done as yet on account of waiting for Cody to do it.

Jany 31 I got the planks taken up to the Pump at Thos Bullet gate on last week and Covered over with Clay and Sand as ordered.

I had to get the Fire Engine taken over to the shed in the yard to make way for Paddy Leacey to get to work in the Engine Room.

A door is wanted very badly for the quay on the High Hill to prevent the Children from throwing broken bottles and old Cans from the quay over the wall into the water Channel — Causing a lot of time and labour to be lost Cleaning them out — and also Causing a nuisance. Cahill told me he would make

a

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a door and put it up if he got means
~~to~~ do so.

Gate at High Hill

Ordered — that a wooden gate and lock be ordered for the entrance to the quarry on High Hill.

Fountain Quay to enquire Hartnick to supply Cock

Ordered — That Messrs Hartnick & Son be asked to get a Cock for the Fountain in Quay Street as soon as possible.

Ordered — That the manager of the Gas Works be asked to try and find out if there is a leakage of Gas in the Hall way in the School.

Ordered — That the men in the employment of the Town Commissioners be required to attend more Carefully to the Cleansing of the Channels and down about the privy and Urinals

A Cullen surrender of Tenancy — part of Yard

A Communication was read from Mr Andrew Cullen — saying — As I no longer require the use of the portion of Marsh Lane Yard, Kindly let from week to week to me by the Commissioners, I now give up possession of Lane and enclose the Key. Please have an a/c for rent furnished when Convenient and oblige

Ordered

Ordered – That M^r Cullens surrender of
of tenancy for the part of the Manure
yard in Marsh Lane for which he is
tenant to the Commissioners be accepted
and that an a/c of the rent due be sent
to him as requested.

Manure
T. Murphy 2 heaps

A proposal was read from T. and
Murphy for two heaps of manure at
22/6 per heap
Ordered – That M^r Murphys proposal
for two heaps of manure at 22/6 per heap
be accepted.

The following was read.

I Certify that John Wadsh, Goat Hill
is Convalescent from "Bronchutes"
but yet unable to work.
17 ~~South St.~~ T. J. Meehan
Feb. 15^th 1898.

The following was read

98 Centenary Committee, City Hall Dublin
February 1898.

98 Centenary
Letter Dublin
Branch

Dear Sir,

We enclose four (1) Copy
Rules (2) Instructions to form Branches
(3) Card of Membership.

It is intended to hold a Meeting in Dublin
on the 4^th March, being the next anniversary
of the birth of Robert Emmet for the purpose
of establishing a Central Branch of this
Committee.

The Annual Subscription to the
Central

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Central Branch is St.

We are directed to request your attendance and that of your Colleagues at the meeting.

Please say if we may propose you and them as members and also say if you and they can attend the meeting

Yours faithfully
M. J. Quinn
P. Lavelle
R. J. Loughlin
P. White
} Hon. secretaries

The Chairman &
Commissioners, new Rep.

9 & Centenary Committee Rules

A Copy of the Executive Council Copy of the Rules and Instructions for the formation and working of Branches and also a Sample Card of Membership were also enclosed

Clerk to write & Dublin Branch in reply

Ordered — That the Clerk write in reply, stating that a Branch is established in new Rep. for Celebrating the Centenary of 1798 and that at present, the Branch is not inclined to affiliate with any other Association, but will be ready to do everything in their power to aid in making the Celebration a success.

The following were read.

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New Rop 15th February 1898

Dear Sirs,

Condolence
Letter McKinson

Your Resolution of Sympathy and Condolence for the loss of two dear sisters within such a short period was received on last evening.

I thank you sincerely for those Kind Sentiments so warmly expressed. I must say I am not unmindful of the fact that during the time I was a member of your Body, the same good nature and Kindly feeling was always accorded to me whether deservedly or not, is not for me to decide — am am Dear Sirs,

Yours very faithfully
H. G. Kinson

The Town Clerk
New Rop.

New Rop, 15th January 1898.

Condolence
Letter McKinson

Dear McLahin,

I thank You for your Generous expression of Sympathy and Condolence in Your letter. Those who have gone before us were greatly respected and respected each other, no matter in what degree they lived.

Yours faithfully
H G Kinson

John McLahin, Town Clerk
New Rop.

North St. New Rop, 23rd/2/98.

Dear Sir,

I shall thank You to convey to the members

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Condolence
Mr Stephenson

Members of the Town Commissioners the Grateful feelings of myself and family for their Kind vote of Condolence in our recent bereavement, and desire Gratefully to acknowledge their Generous sympathy expressed by the Resolution by which I have received a Copy, as also your own Kind words accompanying it.

Yours Faithfully
M. J. Stephenson

M. J. Tobin Town Clerk.

House Fair Gate
Repairs

A Communication was read from Thomas Fitzhenery Fair Gate, saying — Jaw promised to repair my house and I hope you will not delay long as it is in a very bad state.

The Consideration was adjourned to next Meeting — Also — the Case of Mrs Galamery Houses.

New Rep. Fairs
Letter Meeting
Glenmore

The following was read

Half-way House, Glenmore 2nd Feb 1898.

Dear Sir,

I am directed to forward to You the following Resolution passed unanimously at a Meeting of the Parishioners of Glenmore (Co Kilkenny) on Sunday the 30th January ult, and to request You will lay it before next meeting of the new Rep Town Commissioners, to Change the dates of the Fairs

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in New Rop so as ~~that~~ they may not take pledge on the same dates as Fairs held in the other neighbouring ~~Cities &~~ towns

I am Dear Sir

Yours respectfully

To Robin
Town Clerk New Rop.

Richard Fitzgerald
Hon Sec. to the meeting
New Rop Union.

The Board Room, the Workhouse
8th February 1898.

New Rop Fairs
Letter
Board of Guardians

Dear Mr Robin,

The Guardians at their meeting on Saturday last had under consideration the following question of which notice had been given by me Viz:— What steps if any should be taken with regard to the proposal to Change the days or dates for the Fairs of New Rop. -

Mr W. Kelly proposed, and Mr P. White seconded the following Resolution —

That the Town Commissioners be requested to Consider at once the advisability of Changing the Fairs.

This was passed unanimously.

Now Sir, I am favoured with instructions to ask You to be so good as to lay this Communication before Your Board at their next meeting and request for it an early and favourable Consideration.

I am Yours faithfully

P. A Rope
Clerk of the Union.

John Robin, Town Clerk
New Rop.

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Ordered — That the letter from the Board of Guardians respecting the Change in the days for holding the Fairs, be adjourned to next meeting, the members be notified to attend & Considered Same.

Turret on Fishhouse

The Chairman referred to the dilapidated state of the Bell turret on the Fish house roof.

P. Casey be engaged to repair Bell Tower

It was agreed that P Casey be engaged & put the turret in proper repair for the Sum of —

A Communication was read from D. J. Fleming Hon. Sec. to the new Rop Boat Club asking for the use of the Large Room to hold their General Meeting on the 1st March prox.

Ordered — That the use of the Room be given to the new Rop Boat Club to hold their meeting on the 1st proximo.

The following were read.

Towns Improvement Act Letter Molfse

Offices, New Rop, 16th Feb. 1898.

Dear Mr Finn,

Mr Robin wrote me a few days ago requesting me to attend a Commissioners' meeting this evening to advise on various points under the Towns Improvement Act. I have looked carefully into the Act

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Act, and am ready to go into the matter with Commissioners, but unfortunately I am Called away to Dublin this evening on urgent business and therefore Cannot attend the meeting, which it would be quite impossible for me to embrace the Compass of a letter what I should like to Say on the Subject.

Would You Kindly allow the matter to stand over until some day after next next Friday, when I shall make Certain of being in a position to attend the meeting.

Yours very truly
John R Colfer.

M. P. Fiun Esqr
North St.

Towns Improvement Act Letter McColfer

Offices New Ross 16th February 1898.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter requesting my attendance this evening at the Commissioners' Meeting, I was as quite intended being there, but unfortunately I have to leave for Dublin this evening on urgent business and may not return until Friday.

On any evening after Friday I shall be very pleased to meet the Commissioners and discuss with them the various questions arising, and the Act of 1854 not

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of Which I have Carefully Considered

Yours Very truly
John R. Calfer

John Tobin
Town Clerk Newry.

Mr Calfer Came before the Meeting to Confer with the members. Respecting the enforcement of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and the best means of obtaining most advantage from the fines inflicted under that Act.

A Variety of questions were put to Mr Calfer about different modes of having the Act enforced.

The Chairman took the following notes of replies, Given by Mr Calfer to queries put by the Chairman

Would the fines inflicted under the Towns Improvement Act be payable to the Commissioners?
Answer— In all Cases brought in in their names — Yes.

Can the Commissioners, to avoid expense, refuse to prosecute in Certain Cases, if they should think fit. ?
Answer— Certainly.

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Can the Commissioners prosecute through their Clerk, or must they prosecute through their Solicitor?

Answer — If the prosecution is brought the name of the Town Clerk on behalf of the Town Commissioners, in my opinion, he Can prosecute without the aid of their Solicitor

Mr Colfer signed the Sheet on which the Chairman had written the Queries and answers.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 2nd March 1898

Chairman

1898 — March 2nd

Wednesday 2nd March — A weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and ~~Street Committee~~ held this day at 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 — Also — To Consider the desirability of planting trees from the Bridge to the pump in Rochercon

To Consider on the appointment of a Committee to see as to the best means of getting the Labourers and Artizans Cottages built

To Consider a letter and Resolution receive from the New Ross Board of Guardians respecting the Change in the days for holding the Fairs in New Ross.

Members

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Wednesday 2nd March — Minutes —

Members present — Mespers
1 Matthew J Finn, Chairman in the Chair
1 Patrick Tierney
1 Patrick Kennedy
1 Peter J Byrne
1 Patrick Gannon

25 The Weekly Bill amounts to — £4-11.6

P Connors Goat Hill Rock for door
Or that P. Lacey Put Lock on door

A Communication was read from Patrick Connors Goat Hill — Asking to have a lock fixed on his door, of which it was deficient all the winter.

Ordered — That Patrick Lacey be employed to fix a lock on the front door of Connors house.

The following was read

Offices, New Ross 27th February 1898.

Dear Sir,

In looking over the Draft Resolutions which I sent you some time ago, I find I referred to section 72 of the Towns Improvement Act. In putting this Resolution on your Books you should make the words "against the Towns Improvement Act" and not "against the 72 Section of the Towns Improvement." If you will quite recast the Resolution for me.

Yours very truly
John R. Colfer

John Tobin Esqr
Town Clerk, New Ross.

Ordered

Ordered – That the Clerk leave the Resolutions with Mr Colfer & he recommended.

Fishhouse — Ordered – That the weather-Cock of the Clock Turret on the roof of the Fishhouse be painted Salmon Colour

The Clerk was directed to insert in the notice for next meeting the Consideration of the position of the lamp at Fair Gate

The Consideration of the planting of Trees in Rosbercon was adjourned to ascertain who Claims the ownership of the Ground inside the wall at both side from the Bridge & the Pump in Rosbercon

The following was read.

~~New Ross~~ New Ross, 28 – 2 – 98

Dear Mr Lobin,

Kindly Convey to your Board on behalf of Myself and family My very sincere thanks for their Kind and Sympathetic expression of Condolence in our very Sad bereavement, on the occasion of the death of My very dear Father-in-law, John Nolan, and you will much oblige Me, and to yourself, Beg to Offer My Heartfelt thanks for your very Kind expression of Sympathy and Condolence on this Sad occasion

Believe Me dear Mr Lobin
Very Sincerely
William Murphy,

Mr John Lobin
Town Clerk
Town Comrs Office.

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Clerks Report — On this day W Redmond ~~Asst Inspector~~ as Contractor for Mr Boyle and myself as his Sureties, attended at the County at large Adjourned Sessions ~~to tender for the Contract of~~ Keeping the Rope Side of the Bridge, and the approaches thereto in repair for five years for the amount agreed on by the Commissioners five years ago — £13-10-0

The Advertisement was as follows — "For Keeping in repair for five years the roadway and footpaths over new Rope Bridge, not to exceed £13-10-0, first half year, and £6-15-0 for each of the remaining four and half years.

The tender on the foregoing terms was accepted

As there had been no Meeting for the transaction of business I Consulted the Chairman on the matter, and he approved of having a tender sent in for the work at the highest sum allowed in the advertisement

19th February 1898

John Lobin Town Clerk

Ordered That the Collector attend next meeting about R Thorp's Rent.

to Committee L. Dwellings appointed

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 9th March 1898.

Joseph Winn Chairman —

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1898 — Wednesday 9th ~~October~~ March — A
March 9th Weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners
~~acting as~~ and Street Committee held this
day after 7h Oclock P.M. to transact
business pursuant to the Towns Improve-
-ment (Ireland) Act 1854 — Also —
To Consider a letter and Resolutions
received from the New Rop Board
of Guardians respecting a Change in
the days for holding the Fairs in New Rop.
To Consider the desirability of planting
trees from the Bridge to the pump
in Rochercon.
To Consider the question of the
position of the Lamp above Fair Gate.
Members present — Messrs —
1 Matthew Finn, Chairman, in the Chair.
1 Patrick Tierney
1 Patrick Gannon
1 William Murphy
1 Patrick Kennedy
1 Joseph Roche
1 Peter J. Rayne
Cheques were issued for the following Amounts —
28 James Elgalavan & Co amount of a/c rendered £24-5-2
Weekly Bill — — — — 3-16-0

Proposed by Mr Gannon
Seconded by Mr Tierney —
That the Consider-
-tion of planting trees in Rochercon be
adjourned to next Season, owing to it
being

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being too late at present to plant them.
Lattes.

2nd March Street Inspectors Report — On this day I got James Carroll of Three Bullet Gate rolling a large barrell on the footpath, on the Quay Coming from the Bond store, passing the National Bank into Charles Street. I took down his name. I have him summoned to Court

There are fine heaps of manure finished now ready for sale in the Commissioners Yard.

Ordered — That the usual Course be adopted in Carrolls Case — that he be prosecuted

Ordered — That the Manure on Lands be advertised for sale.

The Collector was before the meeting respecting R Thorpe's Rent, and the Account was examined. It appeared that two years rent will be due on the 25th March 1898.

Ordered — That the Collector apply to Richard Thorpe for the arears of rent due by him.

A Card ~~was~~ post Card was read from Col. Vigors, Halloden, Bagnalstown, Co Carlow, in reply to a letter from the Clerk respecting the Yard on the Quay, and stating that

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that the Commissioners should apply to Charles Dickenson Esqr South Frederick strut Dublin, and that he had forwarded the letter to him.

The following was read.

36 South Frederick strut Dublin, 3rd March 1898

Vigors Estate.

Dear sir,

Col. Vigors has forwarded me your letter of 2nd Inst relative to the store lately held by Mrs Howlett in New Ross.

I am the receiver over the Estate under the last Judge, and am open to receive any offer You may wish to make for the premises.

There is a small office attached which is let by the month to Mr Garrett Doyle. Would this interfere with You? If You did not require it, the remainder of it would be proportionately Cheaper.

Say £20 a Year for the store, without the Office, as it stands, which is not 2/3rds of Mrs Howletts rent.

Yours Faithfully

Charles Dickinson

Wm John Colin, Town Clerk

New Ross.

Ordered – That the Clerk Write to Mr Dickinson stating that it is the Yard and not the store that the Commissioners were requiring to know the terms on which it will be let.

A Note was read from Thomas Fitzhenery (Fitzharris) Fair Gate, Calling attention to the state

of

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of the house in which he is living, being in a very bad state of repair, and hoping the Commissioners would not neglect it.

Ordered — That Mr A Cullen be asked to give an Estimate of the Cost of the work to be done in Thos Fitzhanis' house in accordance with this Specification.

A Circular was read from James J. O'Shea Town Clerk Youghal, dated 26th February last Saying — I am instructed by the Youghal Town Commissioners to forward you annexed Copy of a Resolution unanimously adopted by them at their Meeting on the 24th Inst., and request that you will be good enough to bring the same before your Board at the earliest opportunity.

Resolution referred to.

"That we Call on the Chief Secretary for Ireland to introduce a provision in the proposed Local Government Bill for Ireland to reform the Constitution of the existing Fishery Boards in this Country, the Ex-Officio Vote on such Boards being more than double that of the elected Representatives of the Commercial, or Ket Fishermen. That the Constabulary be directed to patrol all breeding streams during the Close Season, as it is to the destruction of Spawning

Spawning fish the Continued decline of the Salmon Industry is due. That our Clerk do forward Copies of this ~~letter~~ Resolution to all Corporations, Boards of Guardians, and Municipal Boards, and ~~A~~ Messrs J. Dillon M.P.; John E Redmond M.P. Col. Saunderson M.P. Capt. Donelan M.P. and T.M. Healy M.P.

Proposed by M.M. Kennedy, Seconded by Mr Thomas Heffernan, and Passed unanimously.

Proposed by Mr Roche
Seconded by Mr Kennedy— That the foregoing Resolution be adopted.

Passed unanimously.

The following were read.

To the Chairman and the Members of the Town Commissioners.

Gentlemen,

I beg to offer my fervent thanks for your Kindness in adjourning your Weekly Meeting and your very Kind sympathy in the loss of My Dear Brother, Mr Patrick Byrne, and in I include the grateful thanks of My Nieces the Misses Molloy. Gentlemen the respect you have paid his Memory and the knowledge that his good life was appreciated by his friends is a most Consoling thought to us in the great loss we have sustained in parting with one whose life was noted for goodness, Charity and patriotism. Again thanking You Gentlemen for

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for your Kindness and mark of respect
Dremain, Gentleman
Grateefully Yours
Margaret Butler

New Rop 8th. March 1898

New Rop 8th March 1898.

Dear Mr Tobin

Myself and My Nieces Offer our united thanks and Gratitude for your Very Kind and sympathetic Sentiments on the death of Poor Mr Byrne. Often Speak highly of Yow. Yow were a long time acquainted. Yow Knew him well, and Yow Can Sympathise with us more than many others in the loss We have sustained. We thank You Gratefully for Your expressions of Sympathy which We were happy to receive

I am Dear Sir
Yours truly
Margaret Butler

Mr Tobin
Quay St.

Trinity Hospital
Catherine Murphy
recommended

A recommendation signed by Clergy and respectable inhabitants of the Town, was read, in favour of Catherine Murphy, Spinster a very old and a very respectable Inhabitant of New Rop being recommended by the Town Commissioners to the Governing Body of Trinity Hospital New Rop, to be nominated for admission to that Institution,

Ordered —

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Ordered — That the Recommendation in favour of Catherine Murphy be placed with the other recommendations already received and submitted with them, when the Commissioners are considering such applications.

L. Cottages — Committee

Ordered — That the members present be appointed a Committee to see as to the best steps to be taken to facilitate the building of Artizans Dwellings — the Committee to meet at 11 O'clock A.M. on tomorrow to inspect the William street Ground. That the Clerk see Mr Colfer to urge on the preparation of the Lease of the William street Ground.

In reference to the lamp above the Fair Gate

Proposed by Mr Gannon
Seconded by Mr Tierney —

That the lamp be removed down to within two Yards of Butler's House.

Mr Kennedy and Mr Roche were about proposing a Counter proposition, but it was agreed that the Resolution be put to the Vote. When there appeared for — Messrs — Tierney, Gannon & Murphy — 3.
Against — Messrs — Kennedy, Roche, Byrne and the Chairman — 4.

The Resolution was declared lost.

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The following was read.

Woodstock A. N. School Institute
8th March 1898.

Dear Mr Tobin

May I in the interest of the agricultural Community respectfully suggest that the Town Commissioners shall recognise the importance of having the work which devolves upon them in Connection with the Changing of the New Rep Fairs executed as efficiently and as speedily as possible. While the subject occupies a place in peoples minds is the seasonable time — the iron should be struck while hot. There should be regular Meetings of the Town Commissioners and those whom they may Chose to Consult until the question is finally settled. Though the Country has now done its part, yet we are ready and anxious to do more.

It will be well at the outset to have a Clear understanding as to the work now before your Council. Whatever tests are applied to any one fair must be applied to all. As far as I Can judge the sole Consideration must be. —

1. To appoint the required number of fairs.
2. To appoint them on the best possible days for the buying and selling of live stock.

The promoters of a new scheme of fairs

have

have no intention or desire of interfering with holiday people. These can enjoy their Easter Mondays Whit Mondays, May Days &c as heretofore, and as did their Grandsires but if holidays are Continued as fair days, it must be because they have stood the above tests when honestly applied to them.

Iam dear Mr Robin

Very Sincerely Yours

To John Robin Charles Lynch

Town Clerk, New Ross.

The question of the Change of the days for holding the Fairs in New Ross was entered into

The Letter from the Board of Guardians Containing a Resolution of the Board ~~to ac~~ requesting the Town Commissioners to Consider at once the advisability of Changing the Fairs. Was Considered (For letter see Minutes of Meeting 24th Feb. last)

After a long discussion, it was

Proposed by Mr Roche

Seconded by Mr Murphy —

That we adopt the principal of Changing the Fairs.

Passed unanimously.

Mr Kierney left the room before the vote was finished.

The following was read.

New Ross 9th March 1898.

The Chairman, New Ross Town Commissioners

Dear Sir,

From the report of Your last meeting

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Meeting, I observe that one of the Commissioners said that the first thing he heard was that I gave the Cost the Sewer for the drainage of the Irishtown at £1600.

I beg to inform You that I never gave an opinion of the Kind to anyone, and I trust You will have the Mistake Corrected at Your next meeting, and ascertain by what authority my name was publicly quoted in the matter.

Yours truly

Andrew Cullen

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 16th March 1898.

Jos Jim
Chairman

Thursday 10th March —

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March 10th

A meeting of the Committee appointed to see as to the best steps to be taken to facilitate the building of Artizans Dwellings, to be held this day at 11 Oclock A.M. to transact business of the Committee. Members who attended — Messrs Jos Jim, Chairman,

Patrick Tierney
Peter J Byrne
Patrick Lyannon.

The Members Came one after another and left.

A Quorum was not in attendance.

The Meeting was adjourned.

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1898 — Monday 14th March — A meeting of the
March 14th Committee appointed to see as to the
best steps to be taken to facilitate the
building of Artizens Dwellings, held this
day at 3½ O'clock P.M. to transact business
of the Committee — Present — Mesrs —

Patrick Gannon
Patrick Tierney
Joseph Roche

The Members present Considered the Meeting
of the Committee too small, to go inspect the
Ground in William Street and Recommend
any scheme of houses for that Locality.

The Meeting was adjourned

1898 Wednesday 16th March — A weekly Meeting
of the Town Commissioners and Street
Committee held this day after 7½ Oclock
P.M. to transact business pursuant to the
Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854
Present — Mesrs —

Patrick Kennedy
Matthew J. Finn Chairman in the Chair
Patrick Kennedy
Patrick Gannon
Patrick Tierney
Peter J Byrne

31 The weekly Bill amounted to — £3-15-6

For

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Manure

A proposal was received from Philip Kelly, Camblin for 2 heaps of Manure @ 22/6 per heap

Ordered — That P. Kellys proposal for two heaps of Manure at 22/6 per heap be accepted; it being urgently required for the reason stated in the Resolution passed at the Sanitary Meeting No other business was transacted

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 23rd March 1898.

Chairman

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Wednesday 23rd March — A Weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Sanit Committee held this day after 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 — Also — To Consider on the Letter and Resolutions received from Messrs — Calfer & Gethin respecting the enforcement of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Present — Messrs —

- Matthew J. Finn, Chairman, in the Chair
- Michael J. Stephenson
- Patrick Kennedy
- Patrick Tierney
- Patrick Gannon
- Peter J Byrne
- Joseph Roche

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Cheques were issued for the following amounts—

33 Weekly Bill — — £3-6-0

34 Thomas Byrne, for Mapping building

" Sites as afe rendered — — 2-17-6

Ordered — That the Monthly Tenancy of the Round be advertised — terms, — the person accepted as tenant will have to be appointed Round Keeper by the Magis- trates after the Tenancy is Completed.

The following was read.

Specification for a new ledge door. to be erected to the entrance to the quarry on High Hill New Ros. March 22nd 1898.

The door to be seven feet wide by six feet high. To be made of inch sheeting and the ledges to be 4 thick.

The hinge to be strong, Home made hinges and hung with a eye leaded in stone and the stone Cemented in the Concrete wall.

The door to be secured with strong bolt and a strong Padlock and to get two Coats of paint. The stone posts to be ~~made~~ repaired and made plumb.

Yours. P. Lacey.

The following was read.

Mary Street, New Ros 22nd March 1898.

Tender for a new door to be erected to the Quarry on High Hill.

Gentlemen, — I. Patrick Lacey will undertake to erect Same door for the Sum of Two Pounds five Shillings according to the Specification and

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Your obliged Servant
P. Lacey

Proposed by Mr Kennedy
Seconded by Mr Tierney,

That Patrick Leacy's proposal for supplying a Gate for the Quarry at High Hill, for the sum of Two Pounds five Shillings.

Passed Unanimously

The following was read.

36 South ~~Frederick~~ Frederick Street Dublin 22nd March 1898

Vigors Estate. Re Vacant Yard. new Rop.

Dear Sir,

Replying to your letter of 15th Inst. I shall be glad to recommend the Court to accept from Your Commissioners the same rent as they paid to Mrs Howlett, viz £15-15-0 per an. I shall be glad to hear from you at your convenience, whether they agree to this, when the tenancy is to Commence, and for how long it is to run

Yours faithfully
Charles Dickinson.

John Tobin Esqr
Town Clerk new Rop.

Ordered — That the Consideration of the letter from Mr Dickinson be adjourned to next meeting, the Members to be noticed to attend.

The

The following was read.

To the presiding Chairman, New Ross Town Commissioners.

Gentlemen,

I beg to enclose Cheque for £20-4-0½. P Rate ticket being amt. of my half years rent after deducting half poor Rate which now leaves due years rent due. Thanking you for your kind indulgence.

Your obedient Servant

R.J. Thorpe, The Leland, March 16th/98.

The following was read.

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Dear Sir

I am in receipt of Cheque and Poor Rate receipt from Mr Rich^d Thorpe - Total amounting to £24- in payment of half Years rent due 29th September 1896.

The Auditor at a previous Audit directs me not to allow any Poor Rates on the September rent unless the rate was struck before the 29th September of same year, and if struck after the 29th Sept it should be allowed on the following March rent. The Poor Rate ticket produced by Mr Thorpe was struck on the 25th November 1896.

Kindly instruct me what I am to do in the Matter & Oblige. Yours obediently

Maurice McGrath

To the presiding Chairman
New Ross Town Commissioners.

Ordered

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Ordered — That the Collector writes to Richard Thorpe for the Balance of the Lady Years rent, and let the Poor Rate be allowed on a future Payment of Rent.

the following was read.

Michael Street, New Ross 16th March 1898

Gentlemen,

I propose & offer myself to be a tenant for the Scales in the Potatoe Market on the Quay at 6d per week.

I offer as my Surety, Stephen Doyle Mindmill Lane.

I remain, Gentlemen
Your obedient Servant
Michael Doyle.

Ordered — That Michael Doyles proposal for the Tenancy of the Scales in the potatoe Market be accepted, first weeks rent due 28th March 1898, as he had Scales in use during previous week.

The following was read.

Bandon Union, March 9th 1898

Dear Sir,

I am directed to forward the accompanying ~~Copy of a~~ Resolution to you, passed by the Board of Guardians of the above Union at their Meeting held on the 9th Instant, with a request for the active Cooperation of your Board in the Matter. Faithfully Yours, A Hayes, Clerk of Union

To the Clerk of each
Town Corporation in Ireland.

Resolution —
Proposed by Richard Clear J. P.
Seconded by Edward Bird — and Resolved:—
That

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That We, the Boardon Board of Guardians, observe with much surprise and disappointment, that in the Local Government (Ireland) Bill, now before the House of Commons, the Imperial Grant proposed in aid of Local Rates, is strictly limited in its operation to Agricultural Land.

That as all Tenements in Cities, Towns and Villages; all Country Mills and Manufactories, and probably all Country Dwelling Houses and Out-Offices, are thereby excluded from participation in the Grant, We believe a grave injustice will be done by this restriction to the Owners and Occupiers of such property, should the Bill be allowed to pass in its present form.

That this injustice will in our opinion be greatly aggravated by the fact that the Estate Duty Grant, amounting to more than £350,000 per annum, equivalent to an abatement of at least 3ᵈ in the £ on County Cess and Poor Rate, is to be withdrawn; and as all Holdings, Urban, as well as Rural, alike shared in the Benefit of this Grant, the Owners and Occupiers of Property other than Agricultural Land, will be placed in a far worse position that hitherto by the arrangement proposed.

That as there is no valid reason for a differential treatment of the Urban and Rural Ratepayers, We believe it the an Act of simplest

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simplest justice to the former, that Ministers should amend the Bill, so as to provide for the inclusion of all Rateable Property within the operation of the new Imperial Grant, and that it is the duty of the Irish Representatives, without distinction of Political Party, to press rigorously for the attainment of this end.

That as the Agricultural Grant is estimated by the Chief Secretary at £730,000 per annum, and as the further Annual Sum which would be required to provide for the inclusion of Urban Ratepayers would not probably exceed £200,000, the Total Contribution from the Consolidated Fund, viz £1,030,000, would, we maintain, be really less than the £900,000 promised to the Irish People, absolutely, and with no suggestion of an intended withdrawal of any existing Grant in Aid, by Mr. Arthur Balfour during the last Session of Parliament, when added to the Estate Duty Grant, which it is now, by an evident after-thought, decided to withhold.

That Copies of this Resolution shall be sent to each Board of Guardians, and Town Corporations in Ireland, with a request for their active Co-operation in the matter, and to all Members of Parliament for Irish Constituencies

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Constituencies, in the Confident hope that they endeavour by vote and influence to secure the proposed urgently needed amendment of the Bill"

Ordered - That this Resolution be adopted.

A Circular was read from the J. A. Lawler Town Clerk Athy dated 14th March 1898, enclosing the following Resolution passed unanimously at that Boards previous Meeting -

Proposed by Mr Anthony J.C.

Seconded by Mr Doyle J.C. -

"That We the Athy Town Commissioners, have learned with regret that it is intended by the Local Government Bill brought in by Mr Balfour to deprive the Occupiers of land within the boundary of an Urban District of the benefit of the financial Contribution, thus doing an act of injustice to an over taxed body of people and that a Copy of this Resolution be sent to every body of Commissioners under the Towns Improvement Act also to the Chief Secretary, respectfully suggesting to him to amend the Bill in this particular".

A Circular, from James Lawler, Town Clerk Navan, dated 9th March 1898 - Saying - I am directed

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directed by the Navan Town Commissioners & Lendy an annexed Copy of Resolution Unanimously passed at their Meeting on the 8th Inst.

Resolution —

Proposed by W John Spicer
Seconded by Wr George Boylan —

That we Call the attention of the different towns in Ireland, which are likely to become Urban District Councils under the Local Government (Ireland) Bill now before Parliament, to the decision of Mr Justice O'Brien at the late Meath Assizes when he ruled against us on the question of having our Roadways Cleaned and repaired by the Grand Jury in the same manner as the County roads.

We Consider it would be well for all Irish Towns to Consult and act together and influence the Irish Members of Parliament and the Government to protect their interests when the Committee stage of the Local Government Bill is reached.

Passed Unanimously.

Proposed by W Kennedy
seconded by W Tierney — That the Resolution just read from the Town Commissioners of Athy, and the Resolution received from the Town Commissioners of Navan be adopted. Passed Unanimously.

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A Communication was read from Matthew Cammerford, Town Clerk, Dundalk dated 18th March 1898 - saying - I am directed to send you a Copy of the following Report which was unanimously adopted at a Special Meeting of my Commissioners held held to-day

Copy of Report.

To the Dundalk Town Commissioners -

Gentlemen,

We, the Committee appointed by by your Board to Consider the provisions of the proposed Bill ~~by~~ for the Local Government of Ireland, Which is now before the House, beg to report as follows:-

1. The Borough of Dundalk paid the Grand Jury in respect of County at large Charges, assessed at the Spring and Summer Assizes, 1897, the Sum £988.18.10, of Which amount the Sum of £90.0.0 was levied for post or main roads on the Borough of Dundalk. It is proposed to retain this annual tax on Borough, while the Town of Dundalk derives very little advantage (if any) from this heavy taxation. The roads in respect of which this Sum is levied are the following:-

Dundalk to Drogheda through Ardee.

Ardee to Dunleer.

Carlingford to Newry.

Drogheda to Collon.

Dundalk to Carrickmacross.

Your

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Your Committee feel that as the Urban Districk Council wild maintain the post roads within the Urban Districts of Dundalk that the Rural districts Councils should maintain the post roads within their Distrcts without the Urban District being saddled with any portion of the Charge thereon.

2. Your Board levy a rate of 1/11D in the £ for the repair and maintenance of the streets and footpaths of the Town, under the Name of the Provisional Order Rate, which is, in reality only another name for Cess. This large expenditure is, to a very great extent, rendered necessary by the traffic Coming into town from the Country Districts, and your Committee Consider that some Grant in aid should be made in the proposed Bill to meet this heavy expenditure. While making this suggestion, we wish it to be Carefully Clearly understood that Your Committee in no way grudge the grant proposed to be given to the Rural Ratepayers by the Bill, but they hold that the Grant should be supplemented by another in aid of Urban Ratepayers, having regard to the fact that it is contemplated by the Bill to practically abolish the payment of Cess..

3. There are many other County-at-Large Charges which Your Committee Consider the Board

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Board should be relieved from payment of — for instance, the Rents of Courts of Petty Sessions, Salaries of Keepers of Petty Sessions Courts and of all County Officers &c. as these are Charges which should only be borne by the Baronies in which the various Petty Sessions Districts lie, and as regards the County Officers, the Urban Districts will derive no benefit whatever from their Services.

4. As Your Board is aware ~~Union~~ Urban Districts derive no relief from the Agricultural Grant of £97,000 given by the Bill, and your Committee Consider that this exclusion of Urban Districts is unfair, and therefore suggest the Board to struggle as best it can to have this injustice redressed.

5. Your Committee Consider that the provisions of the Bill giving to the Local Government Board, or any Board of Control, or the Lord Lieutenant, as the Case may be, a Controlling power over County or District County Councils is highly objectionable, for it will practically take away all power of initiating Schemes for public Works and Soforth. There can be no necessity for the Government to insist on this provision being retained in the Bill, for the Government may rest assured that the Ratepayers will

tolerate

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tolerate no extravagance on the part of their representatives on their Councils, while any power of veto on their action by either the Local Government Board, or any other Board of Control, or other authority, will only hamper and retard the efforts of the Councils.

6. Urban Districts will have the right of electing Guardians, and Care should be taken that no Confusion will hereafter arise by any Cause Whatever in respect of the alteration of boundaries.

7. We Consider the provisions in the Bill giving the Local Government Board, or Board of Control, power & veto the appointment of some of the Council's Officers is objectionable, for the body on which the responsibility of having its Orders Carried out properly rests, should have the power & have them so carried out without an appeal lying to any other body. This power of appeal does not tend to harmonious working between Local Authority and their Officers, there need be no fear that any Council will, in the face of public opinion, and at the risk of loosing their seats, if not restrained by higher motives, treat an Official badly.

8. Your Committee are of opinion that the Chairman of an Urban District Council, and one other Member of same should be ex-Officio Members of the County Council, as they Consider that the

the Urban District Ratepayers, whom the County Council will have the power to tax for County-at-large purposes, should have representatives on the County Council, and they see no reason why an Urban District Council should be placed in a less advantageous position in this respect than a Rural District Council

Dated this 15th March 1898.

James Carroll
L. Maxwell
J. Johnson

Ordered that the Consideration of the foregoing report be adjourned the Members to be notified to attend to Consider same.

An Estimate was received and from Mr Andrew Callen, of the Cost of the work to be done at the House occupied by James Fitzharris at Fair Gate, in accordance with order passed at Meeting held on the 9th Inst.

The estimated amount was £7-8-6

Ordered - That Advertisments be issued inviting proposals for the performance of the work to be done J. Fitzharris' House at Fair Gate in accordance with Specification to be seen in the Commissioners' Office during Office Hours

An Application was read from M Hearn Clon Royal Hotel for having the pipe water

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Water into his House at the Bridge
No one
Granted.

The following was read
Offices New Rop - 12th March 1898
Dear Mr Robin

I see by the Newspaper
report of the last Commissioners Meeting
that you appeared to think I told you
the Lease of the William street plot
that been sent to Mr Boyd for appro-
-val. What I really said to you on
Wednesday evening when you called
here was that the Lease was drafted
and ready to go to Mr Boyd. This was
quite Correct but just as I was about
sending out the draft, Mr Colfer stopped
me and said he should get the measu-
-rements on the map Checked and them
given in feet instead of links, and also
get the ~~specific~~ superficial measure
ascertained. Mr Colfer personally inspected
the place and had a Check Survey made
by Mr Jones Assistant County Surveyor, and
the lease with the map as amended
has this day been sent to Mr Boyd for
approval, who we are sure will give
it no unnecessary delay

Yours truly
Edward Gethin

To Mr Robin
Town Clerk New Rop.

The following was read

Offices

Offices, New Rop 16th March 1898.

Dear Sir,

We sent the draft Lease of the William Street plot to Mr Boyd for approval on Saturday last and we understand that he is forwarding it to Colonel Tottenham this evening.

We have the Conveyance of the plot at Barrack Lane drafted and will submit it to the Misses Mullins's Solicitor for approval on Friday next

Yours truly

John Robin
Town Clerk, New Rop.

Colfer & Gethin

The following was read.

Offices New Rop. 23rd March 1898.

Dear Sir,

Mr Boyd has returned to us the draft Lease of the William Street premises. He has approved of draft in all particulars except one, and that is that he requires the public passage from Cross Lane to William Street to be excluded from the Lease. Please ascertain from the Commissioners at their meeting this evening whether they are satisfied to have this passage excluded from the Lease. It seems to us that it is not worth while seeking to include it, because even if the Commissioners acquired it they could not interfere with the existing right of way. In the event of the

passage

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passage being excluded, it will be necessary to have a new map made as the present one embraces the passage in question.

We have forwarded to Messrs Mullin draft conveyance of the premises in Barrack Lane for their approval. We understand there is an occupied house on this plot

Yours very truly.
Colfer & Gethin

John Robin
Town Clerk, New Ross.

Resolved Unanimously — That all the Town Commissioners be appointed a Committee to facilitate the building of Artizans Dwellings — That the Committee meet at 4 Oclock P.M. Tuesday 29th March 1898 to transact business of the Committee, and to inspect the ground between William Street & Cross Lane

The following was read

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The Presiding Chairman Town Commissioners

Sir, I beg to make application for the use of large Room Tholsel for practice for the New Ross Amateur Dramatic Club for three weeks from Monday 28th March; subject to the usual Conditions and at the same rent which was formerly paid. I am, dear Sir, Yours respectfully

Geo Armstrong.

Ordered — That the room be let to Geo. Armstrong

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Armstrong for three weeks the Club to find their own light at one penny per week.

The following was read.

New Rds. 23rd March 1898.

Dear Mr Tobin,

Kindly convey to the Town Commissioners my very sincere thanks for the very sympathetic Resolution of Condolence, and touching allusion by Members passed to me at their last meeting, on the death of my dear wife. At the time of such a severe visitation, this expression of sympathy and Kind feelings from My fellow Members, and from I have always received every Kindness and Consideration, is a source of the greatest Consolation to me.

For Your own heartfel sympathy I am deply grateful, and for which You will also please accept My best thanks

Remain, Dear Mr Tobin,

Yours very Sincerely

David Murphy

John Tobin

Mr James Connolly wrote saying — I beg to advise You, that I have the new shed in the pound finished.

The following was read.

To the Presiding Chairman, Town Commissioners New Rds —

Gentlemen,

We the undersigned, Ratepayers wish to bring under your notice the desirability of Changing the lamp in the Crichtown

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to a more suitable position. This lamp was always intended to light up the Bullawn as well as Cock-pit Lane.

In its present position it will do neither one or the other. It is up to far for Cock-pit Lane, and in too far to light the Bullawn. By having it erected nearer Butlers House and outside the Curbstone and Water Cut, we Consider it would meet the wishes of all Concerned.

Signed

John Fitzgerald, Eliza Rochford, John Byrne
James O'Reilly, Laborence Keating, Edward Teehan
Patrick Delaney, Patrick Bailey, Samuel Brewer,
Peter Hanlon, Miss A. Murphy, Martin Delaney
Johanna Travers Peter Roche, Nathaniel Hammond
Nicholas Nolan.

After some discussion on the Subject, Mr Lyamon said he would serve a Notice of Motion to have the Amendment to his Resolution which was passed at the Meeting held on the 9th Instant, rescended.

The letter and Resolutions received from Messrs— Colfer and Lyttin on the 9th March 1898 respecting the enforcement of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act in new Rds were read and Considered after which it was Proposed by Mr Stephenson
seconded by Mr Kennedy — "That the Commissioners

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Commissioners deem it advisable that all proper and necessary steps should be taken for prosecuting persons found Committing offences against the provisions of the Towns Improvement Act 1854 and for this purpose that the Town Clerk be directed to Communicate with the District Inspector of the Royal Irish Constabulary at New Ross, requesting the Co-operation of the Constabulary, for this object, and that the Police on duty be directed to report to the Town Clerk from time to time the particulars of offences against said Act, which come under their notice and the names of the offenders.

Passed unanimously.

Proposed by Mr Byrne
seconded by Mr Roche —

That the Town Clerk be authorised and empowered to issue Summonses and prosecute to a Conviction all persons reported to him by the Constabulary, or by any Officer of the Commissioners, as having Committed a breach of any of the provisions of the Towns Improvement Act 1854 without obtaining an Order of the Commissioners for each such prosecution.

Passed unanimously.

Ordered — That the door of the Fish house be painted brown.

The meeting was adjourned
to Wednesday 30th March 1898

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Wednesday 30th March — A meeting of the Artizans Dwellings Committee, held this day at 4 Oclock P.M. To transact business of the Committee — To inspect the plot between Cross Lane and William Street — The right of way referred to in Mr Colfers letter of the 23rd Inst at weekly meeting of that date — &c — Present — Messrs

Matthew J. Finn
Patrick Tierney
Patrick Gannon

The Committee proceeded to inspect the ground and the right of way footpath, after which the Members proceeded to hear Colfer &c — thereon to be advised as to the inclusion or exclusion of the footpath, or right of way, in the Lease.

After due Consideration, Mr Colfer advised that the Lease be prepared including the footpath at west side of the plot — the right of way — in the Lease, Col Tottenham reserving the right of way to the public in the Lease

The Committee adjourned

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Wednesday 30th March A Weekly meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7th Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 Also — To Consider from Dundalk Town Commissioners respecting the Local Government (Ireland) Act Also; a letter from Mr Dickinson respecting the Manure Yard. Present Mess^rs —

Matthew J. Finn Chairman, in the Chair
Michal J Stephenson
Patrick Tierney
Patrick Kennedy
Patrick Gannon
Peter J. Byrne

Cheques were issued for the following amounts —

36	The Weekly Bill —— ——	£3-11-9
37	G. W Carr Con Collector, amt of a/c for County	
"	Cess & Bridge Rate as per a/c rendered	5-19-8
38	Symmons Brothers — Years Contract for	
	winding Town Clock —— ——	5-0-0

The Clerk handed in the following Notice of Motion which he had received on the 28th March 1898.

March 28th 1898

To John Lobm Town Clerk.

Sir.

Take Notice I will move a Resolution on April 6th. 1898 — That we the Town Commissioners rescind the amendment of

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of March 9th regarding the Change lamp at the Fair Gate, allowing it to remain where it is and that we Change it down nearer W. J. Butlers house, so as to suit all parties

Patrick Gannon

The following was read.

Offices, New Ross, 30th March 1898.

Dear Sir,

In reply to a letter received from you sometime ago, relative to an application from W. P. J Delaney for a reduction of rent in respect of two fields which he holds on Yearly tenancy from the Commissioners, in which we are of opinion, that before the Commissioners Can legally reduce their rent they must be satisfied that the existing rent Cannot be procured for the holding — Now up to this the rent has been paid to them, and the Tenant still retains the lands. There is therefore no evidence that the present rent Cannot be obtained for the lands and therefore in our opinion, if the Commissioners made a reduction, they would run serious risk of being Surcharged in respect of it by the Auditor

John Tobin
Town Clerk, New Ross

Yours truly
Calfer & Gethin

Ordered — That Mr Delaney be informed the

the Commissioners have no power to reduce his rent.

A circular was received from the Mutual Telephone Syndicate Limited, dated Manchester 22nd March 1898.

After the reading of the Document it was marked read.

A proposal was read from Edward Browne Annestown, offering 22/6 per heap for five heaps of manure

Ordered – ~~Ordered~~ – That Edward~~s~~ Brownes proposal for 5 heaps of manure at 22/6 per heap be accepted

manure

Ordered – That the ground be opened at the junction in Bridge Street to allow the pipe to be examined to see if water is flowing freely to the Branch pipes that lead to Mrs Power, Wilson, and Hearns houses.

A proposal was read from James Connolly Priory Street – Saying – I propose to repair the House at Fair Gate, occupied by Thomas Fitzharris, in accordance with Specification I will supply all workmanship and materials and finish the work to your satisfaction for the Sum of £6-0-0. I offer as my Securities – John Keough Keough, Quay Labourer and

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and Mr Joseph Freeman, South Ward
new Rep.

Proposed by Mr Kennedy
Seconded by Mr Gannon

That James Carrolly's proposal be accepted

Passed Unanimously.

Ordered - That the Clerk write to Mr Dickinson, receiver, asking if he would let the manure yard on the Quay for £10- per annum.

The Chairman reported the result of the interview between the Artizans' Dwellings Committee and Mr Colfer, in the evening respecting the Lease of the ground between William street and Cross Lane.

Proposed by Mr Kennedy
Seconded by Mr Stephenson —

That our Solicitor be instructed to have the Lease of William Street plot Completed, including right of way, - Col. Tattenham, reserving to the Public, their existing right to such passage, or right of way.

Passed Unanimously.

A Circular was read from Robert Cunning-ham Town Clerk, Killiney and Ballybrack Township

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Township, dated 21st March 1898 – saying
—— The Commissioners of this Town-
-ship are desirous to have a Clause
inserted in the Local Government (Ireland)
Bill, enabling County and urban
District Councils to have Charge and
protection of "Commons" to be used for the
benefit of the inhabitants of their Districts.
Owing to the deplorable and unclean-for
state of Certain "Commons" in the County
of Dublin, My Commissioners are
anxious for some legislation in this
~~district~~ direction, and they have approached
the Hon Horace Plunket M.P. with a
view to having the subject brought
under the notice of the Chief Secretary,
which he has kindly undertaken to do,
but suggests that information regard-
-ing "Commons" in other parts of Ireland
should be procured at once.
I am directed to ask if you would
therefore be so good as to inform me
if there are any "Commons" in your
District, which it would be desirable
should be placed under the Care of the
local authority, if such a Clause were
inserted in the present Bill.

The Clerk was directed to reply, that there were no
Commons in the neighbourhood of New Rop.
The Meeting was adjourned to
Wednesday 6th April 1898.

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Chairman

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Monday ~~Wednesday~~ 4th April. Monthly meeting day. No attendance of Members.

The Meeting ~~may~~ adjourned to Wednesday 6th April 1898.

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Wednesday 6th April — A weekly, and an Adjourned Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners, and of the Street Committee held this day, at ½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Also — To Consider a Report by the Town Commissioners of Dundalk on the Bill for the Local Government of Ireland.

To Consider a Petition against the Fishguard and Rosslare Railways and Harbours Bill.

Members present — Messrs —

Matthew J. Finn Chairman, in the Chair

Patrick Tierney

Joseph Roche

Patrick Kennedy

Peter J. Byrne

Patrick Gannon — N. Murphy left after Sanitary Meeting

Cheques were issued for the following amts. —

40 Weekly Bill ——— £3-14-2

41 John Gohin, Clerk, ¼ Salary due 1st Inst 18-15-0

In reference to the report received from the Dundalk Town Commissioners, it was Ordered

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Ordered – That Meprs – P. Tierney, P. J. Byrne P. Kennedy, J. Roche, and the Chairman be he appointed a Committee to Consider the Report from the Dundalk Town Commissioners, and report the result of their Consideration. The Committee to be Summoned to meet at 7th Oclock P. M. Thursday 14th April 1898.

A Circular letter, No 39 – M/98 – Miscellaneous, dated 31st March 1898 was received from the Local Government Board requesting payment of £4-15-0 for auditing the Commissioners Accounts for Year ended August last.

Ordered – That a Cheque be issued for the amount Claimed.

The following was read.

Belmont, Wexford 30th March 1898.

Dear Sir,

I enclose a Circular issued by the Irish Financial Reform League; should you not have subscribed to the funds of the League, and should you feel disposed to do so, I shall be obliged by Your sending Your subscription either to me or to the Treasurer of the Fund. All Subscriptions are acknowledged through the Columns of the Public Press.

Yours Faithfully

C. H. Peacake.

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A Copy of a Circular, Programme, address, list of Officers, and list of promi-
— nent Members was also annexed to the Communication.

Ordered — That the Clerk summon a Meeting of the New Ros Branch of the Irish Financial Reform League, at an early date.

Notice of Motion —
Proposed by Mr Gannon
Seconded by Mr Tierney —

Lamp T Gate

That the amend-
— ment passed on the 9th March 1898, regard-
— ing the Changed lamp at the Fair Gate allowing it to remain where it is, be rescinded, and that we Change it down nearer Mr T. Butler's house to suit all parties.

The proposition was put to the Vote, When there appeared — For — Mesrs — P. Gannon and P. Tierney — 2

Against — Mesrs — J. Roche, P.J. Byrne P. Kennedy, and the Chairman — 4

Mr Murphy had left.

The Resolution was declared lost.

Lamp T. Gate
Notice of Motion

The following Notice of Motion was served
On this day fortnight I will propose to have the lamp at Fair Gate Changed
6th April 1898 Patrick Tierney

Mesrs — T. Tierney and P. Gannon left
the

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the Meeting, and a Quorum was not present. The two Members were sent for. They returned and the business was resumed.

The Members present Resolved to act in Committee on the following business.

Commissioners in Committee

Rosslare Railway Bill

The following was read.

Letter McCalfer

Offices, New Ros. 5th April 1898.

My Dear Sir,

The Dublin Wicklow and Wexford Railway people have asked me to ascertain whether the Town Commissioners would be willing to sign a Petition against the Fishguard and Rosslare Bill, on the understanding that all expenses of such Petition would be borne by the Company. They have sent me a draft of the proposed Petition (enclosed), and if You approve of it, and Consider the Commissioners would adopt it. I would feel obliged by Your bringing the matter under their notice at next meeting, and then a Special Meeting might be Called, or Special notice might be given for next meeting, and at the adoption of the Petition it will be prepared.

M. J. Finn Esqr

John R. Calfer.

Chairman, Town Commissioners.

Petition against Railway Bill

Copy the Petition referred to in the letter was submitted, read, and duly Considered, after

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after which the following Resolution was proposed in reference thereto —

Proposed by Mr Lyman
seconded by Mr Roche —

That inasmuch as the Harbour Commissioners have already lodged a Petition against the Rosslare and Fishguard Railway Co. Bill, whilst we are anxious to give every opposition to the proposed Railway, we do not consider it prudent to accede to this request without Consulting the Harbour Board, but if after Consultation with that body it be considered advisable, we shall gladly sign Petition, subject to Condition as to payment of expenses by the Dublin, Wicklow and Wexford Railway Company.

Rosslare R. Bill

Passed unanimously.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 13th April 1898.

Chairman

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April 13th Meeting of the Town Commissioners and
Street Committee held this day after
½ o'clock P.M. to transact business pursu-
-ant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854
Also — "To Consider a Petition against
the Fishguard and Rosslare Railways
and Harbours' Bill." Present — Messrs —

Matthew J. Finn, Chairman in the Chair.
Patrick Tierney
Peter J. Byrne
Patrick Kennedy
Patrick Gannon
Joseph Roche

Cheques were issued for the following amounts

43 Weekly Bill ——— £3-16-0

44 Cashier of the Bank of Ireland to pay the
Local Government Board for audit-
of Accounts to August 1897 — 4-15-0

A Communication was read from
E. Martin Bridge street — saying — that for the
last five weeks he had not received any
water except on about three days, and before
that, a very limited supply. That he would
thank the Commissioners to have the matter seen
to, as soon as possible, as they suffered great
inconvenience for the want of water.

Pipe water Inspector to open Ground at junction for E. Martin

Ordered — That the Street Inspector take the
usual steps to have the Ground opened at the
junction

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Junction of the Service with the main pipe if E. Martin employs a person to examine them.

The following were read.

Financial Reform. Belmont, Wexford, 11th April 1898.

Letters Mr Peacoke Dear Sir,

Have any steps been taken to Organize New Rop so as to obtain Subscribers ~~tions~~ to the Irish Financial Reform League.

If I Can be of any use in assisting, Kindly let me know and I shall willingly go to New Rop if necessary.

Yours Very truly

M. J. Flinn Esq. C. H. Peacoke.

Belmont, Wexford 11th April 1898

Dear Sir,

I am writing to Mr Flinn by this days post to Know if any steps have been taken to organize New Rop so as to enroll members in the Irish Financial Reform League.

If I Can be of any use in assisting I shall be only too glad to go to New Rop.

Would it give You too much trouble to have some Literature distributed in New Rop.

I shall send you some pamphlets if You Say how many You will distribute.

Yours truly

John Lobin Esq C. H. Peacoke

Town Clerk, New Rop.

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Chairman stated that he had replied to Mr Leacoke and explained the reason why progress had ~~Bee~~ not been made in ~~the Movement~~ in favour of the Movement in New Rop.

The Clerk stated that he waited for the meeting before replying in order that he might receive instructions, as to what to state about the future prospects of the Movement here..

Financial Reform Meeting of Committee the Called.

Ordered — That a Meeting of the Financial Reform Committee be summoned to meet at 12 O'clock noon on Friday 22nd April 1898, — To transact business of the Committee, and Consider steps to be taken to obtain Subscribers.

High Hill F. Path Payment not Made Letter Coy Surveyor thereon

A Communication was received from Henry Webster County Surveyor for Wexford saying — In Reply to yours of the 5th Instant, I dont Know anything about the the non- payment for the work on High Hill footpath and steps.

I Certified for the work at the last Assizes. I shall enquire at the Secretary's Office as to why payment has not been made.

H. Hill F. Path Clerk reported he had received £40 amt of Contract and Lodged it

The Clerk reported that he had received the amount of the Contract £40, and lodged the amount on the 12th Inst. that the Secretary's Assistant stated that as the name

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name of the Contractor was Patrick Kent, he did not think it was for the Town Commissioners.

Public Parks

A Circular Communication was read from F. P. E. Rotter, "West Cork Eagle office" Skibbereen, dated 2nd April 1898. — Saying — Dear Sir — The importance of the subject is the only apology I can offer for troubling you, by asking you to pass the annexed Resolution at the first available meeting of your Board.

The Correspondence — a Copy of which I take the liberty of sending, also the Comments of the Press — fully explains the object in view which I sincerely trust, will Commend itself to your favourable Consideration.

Should you give the project your valued support, by passing the Resolution, and forwarding same to the House of Commons addressed to the Chief secretary for Ireland, also to your Local Representatives in Parliament, a line informing me of the fact will much oblige.

I also hope to secure the influence of English Members in favour of the Resolution.

I have the honour to be, Yours faithfully

E. P. E. Rotter.

faithfully

The Resolution referred to was adopted and Proposed as follows —

Proposed

Rubbie Parks
Resolution in favour of

Proposed by Mr Kennedy
seconded by Mr Byrne, and Resolved -
That we the the Town Commissioners
of New Rop. respectfully urge on Mr
Gerald Balfour the advisability of
inserting in his County Councils Bill a
Clause empowering towns and Cities
to procure, by Compulsory Sale, suitable
land for parks or recreation grounds.
That Copies of this Resolution be sent
to the Chief Secretary for Ireland. That
it be sent to the Members of Parliament
for the district, asking, at the same
time, their warm support for the
measure.

Rashed Unanimously.

The following was read

36 South Frederick street Dublin
11th April 1898.
Figors Estate.

Manure Yard
Letter from
Mr Dickinson with
Form & Copies

Dear Sir,
Refering to yours of the 5th Inst., I
now have the pleasure to enclose the
usual form of Tenancy in Land Judges
Estates.
I have left blanks for You to fill in
the name of the Tenant, and the term
for which You wish to take, which cannot
exceed five years. Will You Kindly
get the proposal Completed, when I shall
be happy to get same accepted by the
Court and stamped as an Agreement
which will save You from any expense

or

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or trouble.

Yours faithfully
Charles Dickinson

John Kehoe
Town Clerk New Ross.

The form of Proposal was also received

Manure yard
Consideration adjourned to next Meeting

Ordered — That the Consideration of the subject be adjourned to next Meeting. the Members to be Noticed to attend to Consider the advisability of Surrendering the present Manure yard and entering into Tenancy for the Yard on the Quay.

The following was read.

Ballywilliam, Friday 8th April 1898

Dear Sir,

Fairs
Letter — L. Kavanagh

At a Meeting of the Farmers and Cattle rearers in the district of Ballywilliam of which Mr Morris was Chairman, the following Resolution was passed, and Ordered to be Sent to the New Ross Town Commissioners —

In Consequence of the way the New Ross Fairs are clashing with the principal Fairs of this and Surrounding Counties, we think that a Change is necessary and We Call on the New Ross Town Commissioners to fix dates better Calculated to Serve the Countrys Interests.

Yours Sincerely
Lawrence Kavanagh.

To
Mr M. J. Finn
New Ross.

After a long Conversation, it was Proposed

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Proposed by Mr Roche
seconded by Mr Kennedy —

Fairs
Consideration
adjourned to next
meeting

That the
Members be noticed to attend next meeting
to Consider the next steps to be taken
with respect to the question of a change
in the days for holding the Fairs in
New Rep. Passed nem. con.

Explosives.

Explosives
Letter thereon
read

Mr Roche read the Circular received by the
Town Commissioners, from Sir D. Harel, Under
Secretary, Dublin Castle, read at Meeting
held 1st December 1897, respecting the
Explosives Act 1875, inviting the attention
of the Town Commissioners to the arrangement
sanctioned by the Irish Government and
Communicated by Circular letter from
the Home Office in 1884 (of a copy of
which is sent herewith) by which You
are empowered, as Local Authority under
the Explosives Act 1875 to appoint
a Member of the Royal Irish Constabu-
lary to act as Local Inspector without
remuneration.

By this arrangement the duties of Local
Inspector under Act can be transpered
to the Constabulary, thereby securing the
efficient Administration of the Act, and
relieving the Ratepayers of the amount
now paid to Inspectors as Salary.

Ordered — That the Clerk Write to Sir D. Harel
under

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Under Secretary, Dublin Castle, asking him to state for the information of the Town Commissioners, if they are the "Local Authority" vested with Power of appointing a member of the Royal Irish Constabulary, to act as Local Inspector under the Act without remuneration.

The following was read

Building Ground Lease

Offices New Ross, 13th April 1898.

Col Tottenham & the Commissioners

Dear Sir

I the dft next Meeting

We received back the draft Lease of the William Street plot this evening from Mr Boyd finally approved of and We will have it engrossed and forwarded to the Commissioners for execution at their next Meeting. Not having received the draft until this evening, it would be impossible for us to have it engrossed and Sent to the Commissioners for execution at to nights Meeting.

John Robin
Town Clerk New Ross.

Yours truly,
Alfred Tottenham.

Towns Improvement Act

The following was read.

New Ross 7th April 1898.

Letter from D. I. stating he will aid in Carrying out the Law

Dear Sir,

Will you be good enough to inform the Town Commissioners at their next Meeting that the Constabulary will be glad to assist them in every way they can

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in enforcing the law in here Resp.

Faithfully Yours
J. T. Davies
D. I. R. I. C.

Mr John Lobin
Town Clerk.

The Commissioners present Resolved themselves into a Committee to Consider the following Subject.

The following was read.

Offices, New Resp. 13th April 1898.

Dear Sir,

Rosslare Harbour and Railway Bill - Petition against

I enclose you the Petition for signature, ~~at~~ Your meeting to night. Also a form of Resolution which should be passed before the signing takes place. The proper mode of signing is ~~for~~ two of the Commissioners to be named in the Resolution to sign their names to the Petition and then to attach the Seal, and have it Counter signed by the Town Clerk. I shall be away for the end of the evening, but if you dont fully understand how the document is to be signed, Mr Gethin will explain it to you.

Bear in mind this is only a Petition to the House and does not pray to be heard by Counsel.

If in no way Clashes with the Harbour Board. The majority of those members have already signed it.

Yours very truly
John R Colfer

M. J Finn Esqr.

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The Petition was read.

The following Resolution was
Proposed by Mr Roche
seconded by Mr Gannon —

Roscrea
Railway Bill

That the Petition
now before us against the Fishguard and
Rosslare Railways and Harbours Bill
be presented to the House of Commons
and we hereby authorize P.J. Byrne and
William Murphy, being two of our Members
to sign said Petition on our behalf, and
to attach our Seal thereto.

The Petition was signed by Messrs P.J.
Byrne and William Murphy, the
Common Seal of the Town Commissioners
affixed thereto, and Countersigned by the
Town Clerk.

A Correct Copy of the petition is
hereby attached.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday
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House of Commons.

Session 1898.

Fishguard and Rosslare

Railways and Harbours (H. L.).

Copy Draft

Petition

of the New Ross Town Commrs.

Against.

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House of Commons.

Session 1898.

Fishguard and Rosslare Railways and Harbours (H. L.).

Petition against

Unto the Honourable the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland in Parliament assembled.

The Humble Petition of the New Ross ~~Harbour~~ Town commissioners.

Sheweth:—

1. That a Bill (hereinafter called "the Bill") has been introduced and is now pending in your Honourable House under the above name or short title, intituled "A Bill to authorise the Construction "by the Fishguard and Rosslare Railways and Harbours Company of new Railways from Cork to Fermoy "and Waterford to Rosslare and the acquisition by the Company of the undertakings of the Fermoy and "Lismore and Waterford Dungarvan and Lismore Railway companies to Confer running powers over "certain railways to extend the time for Completion of works authorised by the Fishguard Bay "Railway and Pier Act 1893 and for other purposes." Your Petitioners submit that there is no public necessity for the Rosslare and Waterford Railways proposed to be sanctioned by the Bill.

2. By the Dublin Wicklow and Wexford Railway (New Ross and Waterford Extension) Act 1897, the Dublin Wicklow and Wexford Railway Company were authorised to Construct Railways between the Town of New Ross and Waterford, which will afford great facilities for traffic between the districts served by the existing system of that Company and the Counties of Cork, Limerick and Waterford. A Connection will also be afforded between Waterford and the Port of Rosslare which Your Petitioners submit would be amply sufficient for the purposes of all trade to and from that Port.

3. The extension Railways of the Dublin Wicklow and Wexford Railway Company will afford much needed employment in the Town of New Ross, and when Constructed, will be of great local advantage.

4. Your

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4. Your Petitioners submit that whilst the Cork and Dungarvan line proposed to be sanctioned by the Bill would be of great advantage as affording direct communication with the City of Cork, a second system of Railways between Waterford and Rosslare is totally uncalled for.

5. Your Petitioners are of opinion that the construction of the proposed Waterford and Rosslare Railways would be injurious to the trade of their town. It is proposed as part of ~~the~~ their scheme to construct a Low Level Bridge across the navigable River Barrow, on which the Port of New Ross is situate. This Bridge is proposed to be placed in such a position, and to be so constructed, as to constitute a serious obstruction to the navigation of the River; and your Petitioners are of opinion, that the result to the town of New Ross would be that the freight upon all sea-borne traffic would be largely increased with most injurious results to the trade of the town.

Your Petitioners therefore humbly pray your Honourable House that the Bill may not be allowed to pass into a law.

And your Petitioners will ever pray.

P. J. Byrne
William Murphy
} Two Commissioners

Countersigned
John Robin Town Clerk

Common seal of New Ross Town Commissioners.

Signed at Meeting of Town Commissioners held on the 13th April 1870

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1898 — April 14th — Thursday 14th April — A meeting of the Committee appointed to Consider the Report received from the Dundalk Town Commissioners respecting the Local Government (Ireland) Bill and to report thereon — To be held this day at 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business.

County Councils Bill
Report from Dundalk

No attendance of Members.
The Meeting was adjourned.

1898 — April 20th — Wednesday 20th April A weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 — Also — To Consider a notice of Motion to have the Lamp at T. Gate changed.

Lamp at T. Gate

Also — To Consider the next steps to be taken with respect to the question of a change in the days for holding the Fairs in new Rep.

Fairs

Also — To Consider the desirability of surrendering the present Manure Yard and entering into Tenancy for the Yard on the Quay. Present — Messrs —

Manure Yard

Patrick Kennedy, in the Chair
Patrick Tierney
Peter J Byrne
Patrick Gannon

Joseph

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Joseph Roche

46 the Weekly Bill amounting to £3.16.6

Artizans Dwellings
Lease of Ground
Mill St. & Cross Lane

Mr Lyethum on behalf of Messrs Colfer
& Lyethum Solicitors Came before the
Meeting with the Lease of the Piece
of Ground between William Street
and Cross Lane let by the Town Comrs
for Three hundred years at the Yearly rent
of for building Ground to build
Artizans Dwellings, and Submitted
the following —

Lease signed

At a Meeting of the Town Commi-
-ssioners of New Ross (acting as the Sanitary
Authority and as the Local Authority
under the Housing of the Working Classes
Acts) held in the Commissioners
Office New Ross in the County of Wexford
on the Twentieth day of April 1898

It was proposed by Joseph Roche
and Seconded by Patrick Kierney and
Resolved — That the Corporate Seal
of the Town Commissioners, as Sanitary
Authority be affixed to the Lease
of this date now read from Colonel
~~Tottenham~~ Charles George Tottenham
& the Commissioners, as Local Authority
under the Housing of the working Classes
Acts of a plot of land situate between
Cross Lane and William Street in
the

the Town of Newbridge and that said Lease be signed and attested as by Law required

After the reading of the Lease the foregoing Resolution was put to the meeting and passed unanimously and signed by the Chairman

Sealed with the Common Seal and Counter signed by the Clerk.

Pipe water W Barlow Charles St

An Application for the pipe water to be allowed to be taken into the yard at South Side of Charles Street which he now occupies was read from W Barlow Manager Bank of Ireland

Ord- That W Barlow be allowed to take in the pipe water on the usual terms.

Repairs to property Wm Galavans Letter

The following was read

The Chairman, Town Commissioners.

Sir

Permit me to remind you of your promise to repair the roof of my dwelling in Irishtown. It is in an awful bad way. In fact if it is allowed to remain so much longer the whole place will surely fall.

I am loosing money by the premises and will loose considerable more during the horse season, unless done at

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at once.

Thanking you in anticipation
I remain
Mary Galavan.

Repairs No. 5 Property Mrs Galavans No. Committee to inspect

Ordered — That Messrs — P J Byrne P Tierney; and P Gannon be appointed a Committee to inspect and report on the state of Mrs Galavans house and premises.

Re pipe water Jas Power Bridge St asked to have branch pipe changed

A Communication was read from Jas Power & Co Bridge street asking permission to have a branch pipe fixed to the Main in Bridge St to supply Mr Wilsons house as the existing branch pipe is defective

Mr That Mr Power be allowed to change pipe

Ordered That Mr Power be allowed to change the fixing of the branch pipe as may be required

Mr Hutchinson ceased to be a Comrs

The Clerk reported that Mr Hutchinson had ceased to be a Commissioner on the 16th Inst not having attended a meeting for six months.

Members to be advised & attend & elect a member.

Ordered — That the members be noticed to attend next meeting to elect a Commissioner in place of Mr Hutchinson disqualified by non attendance.

he

Water in Manure yard Mark Lane

Clerk reported interview with Mr Boyd

Clerk reported interview with Mr Boyd about permission for taking the water by piping to Mark Lane from the well or pool in the manure yard. Mr Boyd stated that a formal application be written to him and he would submit it to the Governors of Trinity Hospital.

Mr Boyd to write to Mr Boyd

Ordered – That the Clerk send the communication about the water as suggested by Mr Boyd.

Applications Aswroche to be held on 11th April

In reference to the Applications to be heard at Clonroche Presenting Sessions to be held on the 11th May next

Mr Gannon to see Mr Connolly about application for Cross Lane Sewer

Mr Gannon suggested the desirability of having Presentments passed for Cautioning the Sewer made in Cross Lane, up to where the water flows out from Wexford road to be on the street in Cross Lane

Ordered –

to get him to measure and prepare an Estimate

That Mr Gannon see Mr James Connolly and get him to measure the distance and give an Estimate. That the Clerk send off applications, as soon as he receives the particulars, for Cautioning the Sewer or main drain, up Cross Lane.

Clonroche above Fair Gate Mr Fitzgerald

The following was read.

Gristtown near Rp. 20th April 1898.

To the presiding Chairman of the Town

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Town Commissioners.

Gentlemen

In reading the Accounts of the proceedings of the last meeting of the new Rep Town Commissioners, some of their members seem to for a reply.

Lamp Fair Gate

letter J Fitzgerald

At the meeting on the 9th inst. the Chairman said he regarded with suspicion a Memorial signed by a respectable body of Rate payers because he said he met one of them on the Bridge who said he did not sign it.

If this was the Case, and in order to strengthen his own argument against the removal of the lamp. Why not disclose the name of his friend and prove at once the memorial was a bogus one.

When I Canvassed my own individual interests I wrote to your Board over my own name and stated what I considered to be a grievance.

It was only at the Suggestion of the parties Concerned the Morial was drawn up and tis not likely that any one would take the trouble to influence People, to look after What intimately Concerned themselves.

To repeat what has been too often gone over, When this lamp was first changed it

it was put on the end of Butlers House. This seemed to suit every one and there was no Complaint.

Camp & Gate

How or by what means was it Changed to where it now is. and where it gives Satisfaction to no one. Every one imagines the elected representatives of the people ought to meet the wishes of their Constituents as far as they reasonably can, but if we are to take the Conduct of the new Rop Town Commissioners as a Criterion of Roww Public business should be Carried on, our opinion of Rublic bodies and the Management of public business should be Poor indeed. John Fitzgerald.

In accordance with Notice of Motion it was Proposed by Mr Tierney
Seconded by Mr Gannon
That the Camp at Fair Gate be Changed.

Resolution that Camp be Changed, Lost

On a poll being taken there appeared
For Mess— Tierney & Gannon — 2
Against— Messrs— Roche, Byrne, and the Chairman — 3

The proposition was declard lost.

Mr Gannon Lod Notice of Motion

Mr Gannon said he would serve a Notice of Motion on the matter, and hand the Clerk the following Notice of Motion on the 21st— I give Notice of Motion and will move on next Wednesday night

Meek

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Mark that the lamp at Fair Gate be shifted down further towards the Bullaun, so as to Convenience the General Public. Patrick Lyman
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98 Centenary Committee, Dublin

A Circular and Card of admission was received from the Hon. Secretaries of the 98 Centenary Committee — Convention — of — General — Executive, dated at the City Hall Dublin, Stating that a Convention would be held on Saturday 23rd April 1898 at 4 Oclock P.M. to Consider the arrangements under which it is proposed that the United Irishmen Centennial Association shall be amalgamated with the 98 Centenary Committee.

No Order

No Order Made.

In accordance with a Resolution passed at previous Meeting —

Fairs

Mr Roche absent to propose a Resolution

Mr Roche, was proceeding by address, to introduce a proposition respecting the Change in the days for holding the Fairs in New Rep.

Mr Tierney left No Quorum

Mr Tierney rose and left. There being no quorum business was suspended.

Mr Tierney

Mr Tierney returned and after the signing of the Cheques, handed in the following

Notice

Notice of Motion –

On this day fortnight, I will propose that Resolution about Fairs be rescinded. P. Kearney.

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No further business transacted –

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 27th. April 1898.

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Wednesday 27th April – A Weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and District Committee held this day after ½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 – Also –

1 To Consider the desirability of surrendering the present manure yard, and entering into Tenancy for the yard on the Quay.

2 To elect a Commissioner in place of Mr Hutchinson, who has ceased to act as a Commissioner.

3 To Consider the number of Houses for the working Classes to be built &c.

To Consider the next steps to be taken with respect to the question of a Change in the days for holding the Fairs in the Rop

Members present – Messrs –

Matthew J. Keirn, Chairman, in the Chair
Peter J. Byrne

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Mr Jeremiah Murphy
Patrick Kennedy
Joseph Roche
Michael J Stephenson
Patrick Gannon
Patrick Tierney
John Meehan

Cheques were issued for the following amounts

49	Weekly Bills	£3-5-0
50	G. W. Carr, Collector, Income Tax as per a/c furnished	6.1.11

Mr Gannon reported that he had got J. Cannon & Measure Cross Lane from the upper end of the new Sewer to the upper part of the lane and gave the measurements to the Clerk with the Estimate prices for two applications.

The Clerk stated that he prepared two applications as soon as he received the particulars from Mr Gannon on Saturday, and and sent them off on that evening — Each 87 Yards at £49-10-0

Proposed by Mr Kennedy
seconded by Mr Tierney — that the steps taken about the two applications for the main drain in Cross Lane be approved

Passed unanimously.

Proposed by Mr Gannon
seconded by Mr Kennedy — that Mr Calpin

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Presentments Clonroche 11th May
that McAlpin attend

Calfer be requested to attend in Clonroch on Wednesday 11th May 1898, to advocate the passing of the presentments for the main drain in Cross Lane.

Passed unanimously.

Proposed by Mr Cannon
Seconded by W Tierney

P. Murphy elected a Comr

That Peter Murphy be elected a Commissioner in place of Matthew Hutchinson who has ceased to be a Commissioner. Passed unanimously.

Explosives Act

A Communication was read from D Harnell under Secretary Dublin Castle dated 20th April 1898, acknowledging receipt of enquiries of the 16th Inst= and in reply to state for the information of the Town Commissioners of New Ross that the Justices in Petty Sessions are the Local Authority for the Town of New Ross District under the Explosives Act (38 Vic. Cap 17 Sec. 116).

Letter D Harnell under Sec Castle

Petty Sessions the Local Authority about Explosives Act

The Circular of November last was sent to the New Ross Town Commissioners by inadvertance.

The Chairman produced price List of Copying Machines Stationary Books &c

Proposed by W Kennedy
Seconded by Mr Stephenson

That a new Minute Book be purchased from Hollands Printing

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Printing Establishment in Dublin
through W Ennis their Agent
Passed Unanimously.

Letter from Dickinson

asking to have proposal for yard

Communication F. Dickinson 36 South Frederick St. Dublin dated 25th April saying — It would be a convenience if you could kindly let me have proposal for the yard Completed this week as I am anxious to include it with application concerning other matters which I have now ready for the Land Judge:

Resolution that we take the yard at £10. yearly free of Taxes

Proposed by W Kennedy
Seconded by ~~W Kennedy~~ Mr Byrne — That we take the yard on the Quay for five years from Mr Dickinson for the sum of £10.0.0 yearly free of Taxes.

Passed Unanimously

In reference to the Cottages to be built for the working Classes
Proposed by W Kennedy
Seconded by W Stephenson

That Mr Jones be employed to examine the existing plans and say whether they ~~would~~ could be adopted for the plot in William Street

Passed Unanimously.

Proposed by Mr Gannon
Seconded by W Roche — That all the Commissioners

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Commissioners act as a Committee
and accompany Mr Jones to inspect
William Street plot for the building
of Artizans Dwellings at 10 A.M. on
Friday passed unanimously.

An Application was read from
the Surveyor of Taxes Waterford
requesting that a Bill for £6-1-11
be paid to Mr Carr Collector
or at Waterford.

Ordered — that a Cheque be issued for
£6-1-11

The Fairs question

A Communication and Resolutions passed
in the Chamber of Commerce relative
to the Fairs were read.

Proposed by Mr Roche
Seconded by Mr Byrne — that a
Committee ~~a Committee~~ be appointed
to meet the Committee from the Chamber
of Commerce.

Mr Tierney protested on a point of
Order that the subject could not be
discussed until after his notice of motion
would be disposed of at next meeting

After Warm discussion it was
proposed by Kennedy
seconded by ~~Mr~~ Stephenson

that the whole
subject be adjourned to next meeting
on

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On the Chairman taking the Numbers there appeared to be Five for the Amendment and two against

The whole subject was adjourned to next meeting

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 4th May 1898.

Chairman

1898 — Monday 2nd May
Monthly Meeting day. No attendance of Members. The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 4th May 1898.

A Weekly and Adjourned Monthly

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of the Town Commissioners ~~acting~~ and ~~Street~~ Committee held this day at 7½ o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the ~~Roads~~ Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Also — To Consider a Notice of Motion — "That the Camp at Fair Gate be shifted down further towards the Bullawn, so as to Convenience the General Public".

"To Consider a Notice of Motion — That the Resolution about the Fairs be Rescinded".

Members present — Mesrs —

Matthew J. Finn, Chairman, in the Chair
Michael J. Stephenson
Patrick Kennedy

Peter

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Peter J. Byrne
Patrick Tierney
Joseph Roche
William Murphy
Patrick Gannon

52. The Weekly Bill amounted to — £3-17-6

A Bill was received from Mr Lacey for his Contracts for the Morgue and Gate at High Hill quarry, and for other works found necessary by the Committee.

Ordered — That the Committee — Mssrs —
P.J. Finn P. Tierney, P Kennedy & P. Gannon inspect the different works done and report thereon.

A Bill was receives from J. Connolly for the work done at the Raund, as per his Contract.

Ordered — that the Committee inspect the shed erected at the Raund by J Connolly and report thereon.

The following Report was read.
Appointed to examine and report on the State of Mrs Galavans House in Lisdoonvarna, We recommend that a tradesman be got and paid by the day or week, and that he be attended and all materials found by the Commissioners, and that the different Houses be repaired under the Supervision of a Comonittee as in our opinion it could not be done by Contract so well

or

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re pleasing to the Commissioners
1 or the Tenant.

29th April 1898. Peter J. Byrne
Patrick Gannon

Proposed by Mr Kennedy.
Seconded by Mr Roche that the Report be
adopted. Passed unanimously.

The following Report was read.

On this day, we have inspected Coops Lane and recommend that the paving be taken up, and that it be laid with Concrete from the arch above Mr Larkins door to the Water Channel in Conduit Lane

28th April 1898 Signed Joseph Roche
Peter J Byrne
Patrick Kennedy

Proposed by Mr Tierney
Seconded by Mr Murphy
that the report be
adopted. Passed unanimously.

Rep Water
J Kepple 2 May

A Communication was read from Thomas ~~Patrick~~ Keppel 2 May, saying I would be thankful if the Town Commissioners would cause the pipe water to be brought to my premises, for which I would willingly pay for

Committee appointed to inspect

Ordered — that Messrs M J Finn, P. Kennedy P. Tierney & P. Gannon be appointed a Committee to inspect & the work to be done and report their opinion on the Application.

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The following were read.

Chamber of Commerce, New Ross 27th April 1897.

Dear Sir,

New Fairs
Letter Chambers of Commerce

At a meeting of the above held on Monday evening last to Consider the Change in the dates of the New Ross Fairs, the Chamber were unanimously of opinion that the dates should be Changed, and they appointed Six of their Members to Cooperate with a Committee of the Town Commissioners to further the object in view and to hasten some decisive action.

Herewith I send you the Names of the Gentlemen appointed and I shall be glad to hear when it would be Convenient for a Committee of the Commissioners to meet them.

I am, dear Sir,

Yours faithfully

Robert de B. Saunderson.

M. J. Finn Esqr
Chairman
New Ross Town Commissioners

Committee of Chamber of Commerce, on New Ross Fairs.

John R. Calfer, M. Doherty
Patrick Kelly, Samuel Kough
T. S. Barlow, E. J. Feeley.

Fairs
Chamber of Commerce

Chamber of Commerce, New Ross, 27th April 1897.

Dear Sir,

As promised I enclose You Copies of three Resolutions passed at last General Meeting of the Chamber in regard to the Change in the New Ross Fairs.

I would suggest to the Commissioners to those

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of their body appointed to decide the dates of the new Fair days, in Conjunction with the other Committee or Committees acting with them.

New Fairs

If the dates of the new Fairs were fixed by the vote of the majority of these two or more Committees, sitting together, subject to the sanction of the Town Commissioners on the matter being referred back to them. I have no doubt We would have almost seen the last of an abuse that should have been settled by the last Generation.

Yours faithfully

R. de B. Saunderson

Hon. Secretary.

Resolutions.

I. That it is desirable to Change the dates of the New Fair days, so that they may not in future Clash with other large neighbouring Fairs.

II. That as it is the unanimously expressed wish of the Public, that the Fair dates be changed, and as the time is getting advanced in the year without any move having been made by the Town Commissioners We Call upon them to take some decisive steps.

New Fairs

III. That a Committee representing this Chamber be appointed to act in Conjunction with a Committee of the Town Commissioners

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Commissioners, or of any other public Body that may be appointed to Consider and Select the most Suitable dates to which the New Rop Fairs May be Changed.

The above three Resolutions were passed Unanimously.

The following were read.

Chamber of Commerce, New Rop. April 27th '98

W. John Lobin, Town Clerk.

Dear Sir,

At a Specially Convened Meeting meeting of the New Rop Chamber of Commerce held on Monday evening for the purpose of Considering the proposed to Change the dates of New Rop Fairs, the accompanying Resolutions were unanimously adopted and Copies Ordered to be sent to the Town Commissioners.

I am to intimate to your body that our Committee will be prepared to meet any Committee you may appoint or that may be appointed by any other public body, and to give whatever assistance lies in our power in the selection of suitable dates for holding of the New Rop Fairs in the future.

Yours truly.

M Doherty Hon. Sec:

Chamber of Commerce Committee for Change of the Fairs

New Fairs

Copies of the Resolutions received from Mr Saunderson

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Saunderson were also annexed.

New Fairs

No 1 Proposed by James G. Dooley Seconded by T. S. Barlow

New Fairs

No 2. Proposed by Patrick Kelly seconded by Jn. F. Browne

Fairs

No 3. Proposed by R. A. Pope, seconded by Samuel S. Keogh

Mr Tierney, in accordance with his notice of Motion — Proposed — That the Resolution about the Fairs be rescinded.

The proposition was not seconded and was therefore let fall out, or lost.

Proposed by Mr Kennedy
Seconded by Mr Murphy

New Fairs

That Tuesday 17th May at 3 Oclock P.M. be the day appointed for the Commissioners to meet a Deputation from the Board of Guardians, or any other public Bodies, to Consider on the advisability of Changing the new Rep Fairs, and that notice be sent to Mr Pope Clerk of the Union, and to the Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce.

Passed, Mr Tierney dissenting.

Artizans Dwellings

Mr Jones' Ground Plan.

Mr Jones County Surveyor's Assistant Came before the meeting, and submitted a Ground plan of houses that Could be built on the plot of Ground between William Street and Cross Lane.

Ordered

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Ordered — That all the Commissioners be appointed a Committee, to inspect the plans and the ground between Cross Lane and ~~and~~ William Street with W Jones. The Clerk to issue Notices to the Commissioners requesting them to meet at 10½ Oclock A. M. on Thursday 5th May 1898.

Proposed by Mr Roche
Seconded by Mr Byrne

That the Town Commissioners of New Rop. form a Committee to act ~~with~~ with the Committee appointed by the Chamber of Commerce, and any other Committee appointed for the purpose of Changing the ~~Fairs~~ New Rop. Fairs

Passed, Mr Tierney dissenting

The following was received

36 South Frederick Street, Dublin, May 3rd 1898

Vigors Estate.

Dear Sir,

I am obliged for yours of the 28th ultimo enclosing proposal duly executed for the Vacant Yard. I have lodged same in Court of Chancery for the approval of the Land Judge, but it may be a week or more before he gives his ruling.

Directly I am informed of same I shall Communicate with You.

Yours faithfully
Charles Dickinson.

John Lobin
Town Clerk
New Rop.

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Mr Gannon said he would not proceed with his notice of Motion respecting the Lamp above Fair Gate until next October.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 10th May 1898.

Chairman

1898— Thursday 5th May — A meeting of the Artizans
May 5th " Dwellings Committee held this day at 10½ Oclock A.M. to inspect the plans of houses, and the building ground between William Street and Cross Lane with Mr Jones.

Artizans Dwellings — Present — Messrs —
Matthew J. Finn.
Peter J. Byrne
Patrick Gannon
Patrick Tierney Mr Jones was also present

After a long consideration after inspection The Committee agreed to the building of seventeen houses near the "Right of way" at the West side

Chairman

1898 — May 10th

Tuesday 10th May — A meeting of the Committee, to inspect the work done at the Morgue, and Gate at the Yard of the Quarry at High Hill. Also, the work done at Fishhouse and privy. Also, the extension of the pipe water to J Keppels house.

Present — Mayor —

M. J. Finn
P Kennedy
R Tierney

Committee

The Committee inspected the Morgue and approved of the fulfilment of the Contract. Also, of the Gate at the High Hill and approved of the work done.

Report of Committee re Morgue

The Committee Considered it would be well to state their approval of the works which the Committee in their inspections had deemed necessary and had directed Patrick Lacey to perform — The Ceiling in the Morgue, the Bell turret of the Fishhouse — Plastering and White washing of the Fishhouse, and painting of Same — Cementing the walls of the privy and repairing the lamp shade of Same.

Morgue

Inspection

Quarry

inspected by

Committee

Chairman

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May 11th

1898 — Wednesday 11th May — A Weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners held this day after 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 — Present — Mssrs —

Matthew J Finn Chairman in the Chair
Patrick Tierney
Peter Murphy (took the Commissioners Declaration)
Joseph Roche
William Murphy
Patrick Gannon
Peter J. Byrne

Cheques were issued for the following amounts.

54 Weekly Bill — £3.18.0
56 James Connolly, amt of a/c for Shed in Pound 9-10-0
57 Cashiers of the Bank of Ireland, to pay the
" Board of Public Works, thirty Fifth instalment
" of Loan for building Labourers Dwellings, as
" follows Principal £28-5-0 — Interest £26-8-1
" Insurance £1-13-11 — Total — 56-7-0

Receivable Order. Office of Public Works Dublin,
No 110 30th April 1898.

Loans Labourers Dwellings

Please to receive from New Rop Town Commissioners
The Sum of £54-13-1
In Insurance 1-13-11 56.7.0 and place

Principal — 28.5.0
Interest — 26.8.1
54.13.1
Insurance 1.13.11 £56-7-0

same to the "General Cash Account" of the Commissioners of Public Works

O. H. Braddell, Accountant.

To The Cashiers of the
Bank of Ireland.

Ordered that a Cheque be issued to pay the

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the amount in the Receivable Order
£56.7.0

Repe water Jas Keppels may

In reference to Thomas Keppels application for Pipe Water, the Clerk in reply, Stated the usage had always been that the person taking in pipe water to their premises, paid the cost of the piping and workmanship required, from the main pipe to Where ever they required it in their own premises.

Proposed by Mr W. Murphy
Seconded by Mr P. Murphy That Mr T. Keppel be informed that he Can get in the pipe Water at his own expense.

Passed...

The following was read.

Kew Rop 11. 5. 98

Dear Sir,

Lamp at Top of Marsh Lane

I shall feel much obliged if You will bring under the notice of the Commissioners the advisability of ~~the~~ lighting the lamp at the top of Marsh Lane at all events, on dark nights. I have / reason to believe that it will be an advantage for many reasons.

Faithfully Yours
J. J. Davies
D. I. R. F. C.

Proposed by Mr P Murphy
Seconded by Mr W. Murphy

That the lamp at

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at the top of Marsh Lane be lighted.
Passed Unanimously
Ordered — That the Clerk write to the
Secretary of the New Ross Gas Company
asking the price for lighting three or
four lamps in addition to those already
lighted (during Summer Months) from this
until the 15th September next

Lamp at top of March Lane

The following was read

Post office New Ross, 6th May 1898.

Dear Mr Finn,

We are thinking of getting up
some Technical Classes in Cookery and Dressma-
king similar to those held three years ago in
the Town Hall, and to write to ask if the Town
Commissioners would kindly grant us
the free use of the room in the Town
Hall in which the Classes were held before.
The Classes will be undertaken by a
Trained Teacher from Liverpool Technical
College and will I think benefit the Towns-
people greatly. Canon Kavanagh is
very much in favour of them and promises
us his support. So I have no doubt the
Town Commissioners will also help us
in the matter.

Cookery Class
Letter Miss Plummer

I should be glad to have an early
reply so that we may get out some
Circulars.

Faithfully Yours
E. Plummer.

M. J. Finn Esq. Chairman
New Ross Town Commissioners.

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Proposed by Mr Tierney
seconded by Mr Murphy.

That the free use of the Room be given to the promoters of the Technical Lessons in Cookery and Dressmaking in the Large room in the Thole[illegible]

Cookery Class
Free use of Room the given

Passed unanimously.

Mr Tierney promised the use of the Tenant Right Reading Room for holding meetings Connected with the '98 Centenary movement during the time the large Room will be occupied by the Technical Classes.

The following was read.

The Round
Report of Committee

Report of the Round Committee.

We have this day Inspected the Round and found Work done according to Specification (unless two uprights and and two principals short of Specification) which were not put in, as it was found unnecessary to put them in. We Consider that about 15/- or £1. may be deducted from Bill.

9th May 1898. Signed Peter J. Byrne
P. Tierney

Report adopted

Ordered – That the Report be adopted.

A Bill was submitted from J Connolly for the amount of his Contract for erecting the Shed in the Round £10.10.0, with one Round deducted, leaving his claim to be £9-10-0

Ordered – That James Connolly be paid the amount of his Claim for erecting the Shed in

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in the pound — £9. 10. 0.

Scavenging St. Inspector

The Street Inspector was Called befor the Meeting respecting the Scavenging of the Streets After some Conversation on the Subject the Inspector was directed to give best attention to the Scavenging of the Streets.

D. Murphy Ceases the a Comr.

The Clerk reported that David Murphy had ceased to be a Commissioner on the 28th April 1898. not having attended for six months.

Ordered — That the Members be noticed to attend next Meeting, to elect a Commissioner, in place of Mr Murphy who has Ceased to act.

Applications Mr Calfer and Mr Inspector. attended this day in Clonroche Application Lanes passed

In reply the Clerk stated that Mr Calfer Solicitor, and the Street Inspector, one of the applicants had attended that day at Clonroche Presenting sessions to Sustain the two applications for the extension of the Main drain in Cross Lane. That the Applications had passed, two pounds being taken off of each of the applications leaving £49. 15-0

Chimneys Contract

The Clerk Reported that the Contract for Keeping the Chimneys of the 26 Labourers Dwellings free from Soot. That the Triennial Contract for Keeping the pumps and Fountains in repair had expired.

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Dear Sir

I was already sent an amendment of the same kind as the one sent by you. & it has been put down to the bill.

Yours Faithfully

T. & J. Healy

John Tobin Esq

Read at Meeting 11th May 1898

4th May 1898.

Sir,

I The Chief Secretary desires me to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 30th ultimo with its annexed copy of resolution passed by your Town Commis-sioners in favour of having a clause inserted in the County Councils (Ireland) Bill empowering towns and cities in Ireland to procure by compulsory sale suitable land for parks or recreation grounds.

I am

Your obedient Servant,

L. C. Dowdall

The Town Clerk,

New Ross.

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Chimneys
Contracts proposals invited

Ordered – That Advertisments be issued inviting proposals for Contracts for Keeping ~~the~~ Chimneys of the 26 Labourers Dwellings free from soot &c for twelve Months.

Ordered – That advertisments be issued inviting proposals for Keeping the Eleven pumps, Three Abbysinian pumps and five Fountains in repair for three Years.

Artizans Dwellings Ground plan

The Chairman produced a Ground plan of a new arrangement of Houses of houses that Could be built on the Ground between Cross Lane and William Street.

Proposed by Mr W. Murphy
seconded by Mr Roche

That the Clerk ask

Barrack Lane Clerk to ask Coroner &c

Mr Coalfer, if the Commissioners Can legally decline to Complete the purchase of the Ground in Barrack Lane, from the Misses Mullin, as they Consider the place

Comrs Can withdraw from B Lane

is unsuitable, and disadvantageous to build on. That if the Commissioners Can withdraw from the purchase, that the Clerk notice the Commissioners to attend next meeting to Consider the subject.

The Meeting was adjourned to
Wednesday 18th May 1898.

J. J. Morrison
Chairman

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Change of Fairs

Tuesday 17th May — A meeting of the Town Commissioners, acting as a committee, also a committee of Poor Law Guardians and a committee of the Chamber of Commerce New Rop, held this day at 3 o'clock P.M. in accordance with invitations, pursuant to Resolutions passed by the Town Commissioners at meeting held, on the 4th May 1898 — The Meeting of the Commissioners was Called by the following Notice to attend — "To Confer with Committees, or deputations from the New Rop Board of Guardians, New Rop Chamber of Commerce, or from any other Public Bodies, to Consider the desirability of Changing the dates for holding the Fairs in New Rop."

Present — Mess^rs

Town Commissioners.
- Mathew J. Finn, Chairman, Town Commissioners
- Patrick Tierney
- Peter Murphy
- William Murphy
- Michael J Stephenson
- Patrick Gannon
- Joseph Roche

Poor Law Guardians.
- Richard Colles Brehon J.P.
- Capt. Samuel Barrett Hamilton D.L.
- Nicholas H. Lambert J.P.
- James Bolger P.L.G.
- Michael Heckey P.L.G.
- James Thearne P.L.G.
- John Mullally P.L.G.
- James G. Dooley P.L.G.
- William Kane P.L.G.

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Members of the Committee of the Chamber of Commerce.

John R. Colfer, Solicitor
J. G. Barlow, Manager Bank of Ireland
Martin Doherty, Hon Sec. to Committee, Chamber of Commerce
Patrick Kelly M.C.

Proposed by Mr Roche. J.C.
Seconded by Mr Mullally P.L.

The Chair was taken,

by Matthew J Finn, Chairman, Town Commissioners
The Chairman explained fully the Cause of the Meeting being Called and held.

Proposed by Mr Dooley
Seconded by Mr Ahearn — that Mr Martin Doherty be appointed Secretary pro. tem. to the Joint Committee

Passed unanimously

After a long Conversation on the subject of the Change of the Fairs. it was

Proposed by Mr Dooley P.L.G
Seconded by Mr Ahearn P.L.G.

That the new Rep Town Commissioners be requested to Change the Fairs.

Proposed by Mr Tierney J.C.
Seconded by Mr Kane P.L.G.

That the Fairs remain as they are.

The Amendment was put to the Vote, When ther appeared — For — Mess P Tierney, W. Kane and M. Hickey — 3

The Amendment was declared lost.

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The Resolution was put to the vote
All the Members present voted for — 17
Against — Mssrs. P. Tierney, M. Hickey
and W. Kane — 3.
The Resolution was declared Carried.

Proposed by Mr Dooley
Seconded by Mr Ahearn

That the New Rop Commissioners be Called upon to have the New Rop Fairs Changed from the present dates to the Second Tuesday of each Month, with such additional Fairs as may be hereafter decided on

Passed, Mr Tierney, dissenting

Fairs

Proposed by Mr Dooley
seconded by Mr Ahearne

That two additional Fairs be held, one on the 4th Tuesday of May and October.

Passed Mr Tierney dissenting.

The following was read at the first of the Meeting.

New Rop Union, New Rop. 16th May 1898.

Dear Mr Tobin,

With reference to your note respecting the Meeting to be held to morrow of a Joint Committee, to take into Consideration the proposed Changes in the

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. the days or dates for the New Rep Fairs, I am to inform you that the undermentioned Ex Officio and Elected Guardians have been appointed to represent the Board of New Rep Union, namely — Walter McM. Kavanagh D.L. Capt Samuel Barrett Hamilton D.L. Nicholas H. Lambert D.L. R.C. Brehon L.P. Ignatius A. Kelly, James Bolger, Michael Hickey, James Spearne, William Kelly, John Mullally, James G. Dooley, and William Kane.

Carlow, Kilkenny, and Wexford are well represented on this influential body, and it is anticipated that the majority of them will attend. It will be regretted however that Mr Kavanagh finds it impossible to be present. I had a note from him on Friday last in which he said "I shall be glad to act on the Committee and in any further Capacity that the Committee wish me, but I could not be home by the 17th Instant". This was written from London and Mr Kavanagh adds that if he can give the Joint Committee any assistance after the 19th (Thursday next) he will be will be glad to attend

Yours faithfully
A. Pope
Clerk of the Union.

W.J. Tobin
Town Clerk.

The Meeting was adjourned.

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May 18th of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after ½ o'clock P. M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854

⊗ Also — To transact business and to
Members present Mess^rs — elect a Commissioner in place of
Matthew J. Finn Chairman in the Chair W D. Murphy who has ceased to act.
Michael J. Stephenson, Also to Consider the present system
Peter Murphy, of Scavenging the Town Generally.
Patrick Lyamon, ⊗
Joseph Rock A Communication was received from the
Secretary New Rop Gas Company W D. Hunt.
59 Hockley Bill Saying — In reply to your letter of the
amounts to £3.11.6 14th Instant. I beg to propose on behalf
of this Company to light three or four
Public Lamps lamps from the date of acceptance by
proposal to light You of this proposal to 15th Sept. next
three or four lamps at £0.16.0 per lamp — These lamps to be
lighted all night except on the nights
of the full moon, that is two nights
before the nights of the full moon,
~~that is two nights~~ and two nights after.
The Lamp at the top of Marsh Lane has been
lighted as ordered, and will be Charged at
rate Mentioned 16th. Yours faithfully
D. Hunt Secretary

Public Lamps It appeared there was an error in the
Order as entered by the Clerk. The Enquiries
should

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4 Lamps
Clerks letter Should
have been for
lighting until 11 o'clock

Should have been for lighting the three or four lamps until Eleven o'clock. P.M..

The Clerk was directed to write & say the lamp at the top of Marsh Lane be lighted to Eleven o'clock and ask the Cost of lighting three or four lamps until Eleven o'clock on the usual terms, as to exception at Full moon time.

Manure
Proposal from
Philip Kelley
for two heaps
accepted

A Proposal was received from Philip Kelly Camblin for two heaps of Manure @ 22/6 per heap.

Ordered — That Philip Kellys proposal for two heaps of Manure @ 22/6 be accepted.

The following was read.

New Rob. 5. 98

Dear Sir

4 Lamps, Letter
from C. T. Davies
thanking for
lighting Lamps
at Marsh Lane

Will you Kindly convey My thanks to the Commissioners for having so promptly acceded to My request with regard to the lighting of the lamp at the top of Marsh Lane.

Faithfully Yours
S. T. Davies
D. I

The Town Clerk.

Sweeping Chimneys
Proposals

Tenders were read for Keeping the Chimneys of 26 houses free from Soot &c for twelve months from —

Thomas Catton at 3/4- per year.

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From Henry Martin, at 26/- per year.

Sweeping Chimneys
To be advertised again

Ordered — To be advertised again for next weekly Meeting.

Pipe water of
Letter T Keppel

A Communication was read from Thomas Keppel, Quay, saying — Your reply to my application regarding the supplying me with pipe water on my premises, which was Considered by your body on the 7th Inst. at which Meeting they decided that I could bring it in at my own expense appears to me rather an unprecedented Case as there is no main pipe on the Quay near my premises. I always Considered the Commissioners were responsible for the bringing of the water opposite the Occupiers premises. Should you reconsider the Matter of bringing the water down Coopers Lane by an inch pipe which will be Cheaper way than by main pipe on the Quay. I am Willing to bear half expenses. Yours truly Thomas Keppel.

pipe water
Clerk to ascertain
Cost of the
two means of supplying
T Keppels house

Ordered — That the Clerk ascertain the Cost of Conveying the water down Cooper's lane by a small pipe and by main pipe on the Quay to T. Keppels premises.

Repairs of House

A Communication was read from James Stacey, Tenant in one of the Commissioners houses at Fair Gate — Saying — I beg respectfully to inform you that the front

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Houses Repairs J Stacey

front door and Cross door in my house is very bad. I would require your body to put in new ones for me as my rent is paid punctually I will expect You will be able to Concede to my request.

Yours &c James Stacey.

Committee to inspect & Report

Ordered— That a Committee Consisting of Mssrs— P. Tierney, M.J. Stephenson, and P. Murphy be appointed to inspect and report on the house.

Education Queries from Board of Education Compulsory Education

Clerk directed to answer queries

The Clerk submitted queries received from the Board Education, Dublin respecting the enforcement of the Compulsory Education Act 1892 by the School Attendance Committee

The Clerk was directed to insert answers to the queries in the Sheet and Return it to the Board of Education Dublin.

Fairs

In Reference to the proceedings at the meeting of the Joint Committee, held on the 17th May respecting the change in the days for holding the Fairs in New Ross, it was

Proposed by Mr Murphy
Seconded by Mr Stephenson—

That Mr Calfer, Solicitor, be requested to meet the

resolution That Mr Calfer Sol attend to Advise Commissioners thereon

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Fairs

The Town Commissioners on Friday evening 20th May 1898, at 9 Oclock P.M. to advise the Commissioners on the Fairs question

Passed unanimously.

Thos Conds
W. D. Murphy
re elected a Cmrs

Proposed by Mr Gannon
Seconded by Mr Murphy

That Mr David Murphy be re elected a Commissioner

Passed Unanimously

The following was read.

New Ros. 17th May 1898.

W. J. Lobin, Town Clerk

Dear Sir,

Large Room
Letter Mrs Plummer
thanking Cmrs for
use of Room

I am in receipt of your letter of the 12th inst and would feel obliged your Conveying to the Town Commissioners our best thanks for their Kindness in granting the free use of the large Room in the Tholsel for the Technical Classes.

Faithfully Yours.

C. Plummer.

Houses for the
working Classes

Ordered — That the Commissioners be noticed to attend on Wednesday 25th day

Cmrs to meet on 25th
May to Consider
Subject.

of May to Consider the best steps to be taken to facilitate the building of houses for the working Classes.

Members to be noticed
to attend to Consider
supply of Water & Horse

Ordered — That the members be noticed to attend next meeting to Consider the advisability of advertising for tenders for the

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the supply of the services of a man, horse and cart for the performance of work required by the Commissioners at the Streets &c

Broken bottles Insps Report

Street Inspectors Report — The Manager in Mr Merry's Shop Called on me to know if he would be allowed to throw some broken bottles in the quarry on the High Hill belonging to the Lawn Commissioners.

Permission given to Mr Merry to throw bottles in quarry

Ordered — That permission be given to Mr Merry to throw broken bottles in the quarry on High Hill.

The Meeting was adjourned 9 Oclock P.M. Friday 20th May 1898. To Confer with Mr Calfer Solicitor, and receive his advice as to the steps to be taken to have the dates for holding the in new Rop legally Changed.

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Friday 20th May — An Adjourned Meeting of the Lawn Commissioners held this day to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 — Also — To Confer with Mr Calfer Solicitor and receive his advice as to the steps to

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Fairs —

the be taken to have the dates for holding the Fairs in new Rop Legally Changed — Present — Mepss —
Matthew J. Finn Chairman in the Chair
Peter Murphy
William Murphy
Michael Stephenson
Patrick Tierney
Patrick Gannon

Mr Gethin Called and Stated Mr Colfer Could Not attend

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As Mr Gethin Solicitor had Called and stated that Mr Colfer, did not feel well he did not like to Come out that night, but would attend the next weekly meeting.
The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 25th May 1898.

1898 — Wednesday — 25th May — A weekly Meeting
May 25th — of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee, held this day after 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland Act 1854 —
Also — To Confer with Mr Colfer at 9 Oclock, and receive his advice as to the steps to be taken to have the dates for holding the Fairs in new Rop legally Changed
Also, to Consider the best steps to be taken to facilitate the building of Houses for the working Classes. To Consider the advisability of advertising for the services of

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of a man horse and Cart for work at the streets &c

Present— Mesrs —

Matthew J Finn Chairman in the Chair.

William Murphy
Michael J Stephenson
Peter Murphy
Peter J Byrne
Patrick Gannon
Patrick Tierney
Joseph Roche

60
~~62~~ The weekly Bill amounted to — £3.12.6

Mr Galavans House Inishtown

Mr Byrne made a statement

Mr Byrne stated that the Committee appointed to see after the repairs of Mr Galavans House in Inishtown had agreed to employ a man by the day to do the repairs, the Commissioners to supply the Materials and attendance The man N. Furlong High Hill, stated to the Committee, that the work he had been asked to do - "patching" would be only Money thrown away — that it would take a Months labour for himself and a boy at 20/- per Week.

Agreed to leave the matter in the hands of Committee

It was agreed to leave the matter in the hands of the Committee to get the work done in the most advantageous manner possible.

A note was read from Mr Gethin Solicitor stating that Mr Calfer, Solicitor would attend the Commissioners Meeting at 9 oclock P.M. as required,.

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The following was read.
36 South Frederick Street Dublin
24th May 1898.
Vigors Estate.

Manure Yard, Quay
Letter from

Dear Sir,

Land Judge requires Consent from persons living near yard

I have just received the ruling of the Land Judge as to your Proposal to take the vacant yard on the Quay. He will not accept same till he is fully satisfied that Mr Gerald Doyle and the Tenants on each side of the yard will offer no objection to the use which you intend to put it; namely:— a Manure store. I fear I must trouble you to obtain for me a letter from each of these parties.

Yours faithfully
Charles Dickinson

Manure yard

John Gobin Esq
Town Clerk, New Ross.

Mssrs Tierney & Gamon to see G Doyle for Consent

Ordered— That Mssrs — P Tierney & P. Gamon be appointed to See Mr G. Doyle, to get his Consent to yard being taken for a Manure yard by the Town Commissioners.

Sweeping Chimneys

Proposals for Keeping the Chimneys of 26 houses free from Soot &c — for twelve months were received from ~~Henry~~

Proposals for

Henry Martin, Bullaun, for 12months for the Sum of £1-6-0, Nathaniel Hammond and James Murphy New Ross. Securities.

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From Patrick Finch Banack Lane for twelve months for the sum of £1.16.0 Bryan Kennedy South Street and James Harlem Mary Street Securities.

Proposed by W Byrne
Seconded by W Roche -

sweeping Chimneys H. Martins

That Henry Martins being the lowest tender, be accepted.

proposal accepted

Passed unanimously.

A proposal was read from John Phelan Granuchely for two heaps of manure @ 1.3.6 per heap.

Manure sold J Phelans proposal for two heaps accepted

Ordered - That John Phelans tender for two heaps of manure at 1.3.6 be accepted.

Proposed by W Roche
Seconded by W W. Murphy -

Houses for the working Classes

That Advertisements be issued inviting proposals for the Services of a Man ~~and~~ Horse and Cart for work at the Streets, or such work as the Commissioners may require them at, for one year from the 1st July 1890. Passed. Unanimously.

Advertisements

Proposed by W Gannon
seconded by W W. Murphy

That twenty

Twenty Houses

houses be built in William Street in accordance with the petition suggested by the rough plan No 2.

Passed

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Raised unanimously.

Houses for the Working Classes
Advertisements to be issued

Proposed by Mr P. Murphy
Seconded by Mr Byrne that
advertisements be issued inviting proposals
for the supply of Plans, Specifications,
and Estimates for the erection of Twenty
Houses for the Working Classes on the
Ground situate between William Street
and Cross Lane. Raised unanimously

98 Centenary Committee applies for leave to hold meetings in Cond's Office

Mr Roche applied for the use of the
Town Commissioners' Office to hold
the meetings of the 98 Centenary Branch
Committee of New Ros. as the large Room
had been still occupied by the Technical
Cooking and Laundry ~~Branch~~ Classes.

Proposed by Mr Gannon
Seconded by Mr Stephenson

That the use
of the Town Commissioners' Office be given to the
Committee of the New Ros Branch of the
98 Centenary Association to hold their
meetings, the large Room being occupied
by the Female Technical Instruction Class.
Raised unanimously.

Permission granted

Mr Colfer Solicitor attended the Meeting
at 9 Oclock P.M.. The Consideration of
the

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Fairs - Change in dates for holding them Mr Colfer present

~~The~~ legal Change in the dates for holding the Fairs was fully entered into.

Mr Colfer advised that a "Special" meeting be Convened, to be held at 9 o'clock P.M. on Wednesday 1st June 1898. To Consider and adopt a Resolution to alter the dates of the Fairs of New Rop.

A Requisition was prepared as directed by Mr Colfer, and signed by five Members and handed to the Clerk.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 1st. June 1898.

1898— June 1st. Wednesday 1st June, A weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7 o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 — Also — To Consider a Communication Resolution and Form of Petition Received from the Financial Reform League. Present — Mayor — Matthew J Finn Chairman in the Chair.

Michael J Stephenson
William Murphy
Joseph Roche
Peter Murphy
Peter J. Byrne
Patrick Gannon
Patrick Tierney

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Patrick Kennedy
Patrick Hunt
~~David Murphy~~ ~~(took the Commissioners declaration)~~ Dropt.

62 The Weekly Bill amounting to — £3.10.0

The following was read

Royal Hotel New Rop June 1st 1898

The Chairman, New Rop Town Commissioners

M Hearn & Son
Pump at Well
High Hill

Dear Sir,

We shall feel much obliged if the Commissioners would Grant us permission to place a small pump over the well on High Hill. We shall have it removed any time required.

Permission Given

Yours truly

M Hearn & Co.

Permission for fixing a pump in well at High Hill given to M. Hearn & Son

Ordered — That Messrs — Hearn & Son be allowed to fix the pump over the pump well at High Hill on the Condition that they shall have it removed whenever the Town Commissioners require them to do so.

The following was read.

New Rop Gas Company, New Rop, June 1st 1898

Public Lamps to be lighted
Letter from Gas Coy

Dear Sir,

In Reply to yours of the 31st ult. the lamp at end of Marsh Lane will in future be extinguished at 11 Oclock as you direct.

We will light 3 or 4 lamps until 11 Oclock, the fine moonlight nights excepted, from the date of acceptance of this proposal at 75th Sept next at 7/6 per lamp.

Although

Although the Marsh Lamp has been lighted since receipt of Your Order of the 14th ult. We will only Charge at same rate as those You intend lighting - viz- 7/6.

Yours faithfully

John Lobin Esqr
Town Clerk, New Ross.

David Hunt.

Ordered - That Messrs - R. Kierney P. Murphy and Wm Murphy, be appointed a Committee to select the Lamps to be lighted until the 15th Sept. 1898.

98 Centenary Committee of New Ross Branch asking to be allowed to sink Poles for Arches

A Communication was read from the Secretaries of the New Ross Branch of the 98 Centenary Association, asking if the Commissioners would have any objections to the digging of the streets in the localities where the decorations will be made for the occasion of our great demonstration on June 5th

Ordered - That the Commissioners give their Consent to fixing Poles for Arches in the parts of the Town where required, so far as they are legally empowered to do so, the poles to be fixed so as to cause no inconvenience to Public traffic.

Houses for the Working Classes Plans & to be advertised for

Tender for Plans, Specifications and Estimates for building the Houses for the Working Classes.

It appeared that the advertisement Ordered to be inserted in the New Ross "Standard" and "Free Press". That it appeared in the Standard

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Houses for the Working Classes Advertisment not in Free Press Clerks Explanation

but not in the Free Press.

In reply the Clerk stated that he had enclosed the Advertisment addressed one to Mr Dillon and one to Mr Long. at 4 oclock On Thursday 26th May. That drawing to four o'clock he asked the messenger if had seen Mr Long and Mr Dillon, and he replied that Mr Long was at home; that he left the letter with Mrs Long. That he left the letter at Mr Dillons residence, but that he was not at home. He (Clerk) sent the messenger to see if Mr Dillon had come home since he left the envelope addressed to him, and if not to ask for the envelop advertisment that it might be sent over to the Railway Office.

That he (Clerk) put the envelope addressed to Mr Dillon into another which he addressed "To the manager Free Press Office, Wexford, post stamp on it, with money to pay the Railway Charge in addition to the stamp. The messenger stated he handed the letter to Mr Burke the Guard, and as it was for the Press there was no Railway Charge on it. It was given to the Guard in time to go to Wexford, that evening Same as the advertisment sent by Mr Long for the standard.

Houses for the working Classes Advertisment

Ordered — That the advertisment be inserted in next issue of the 'Free Press and Standard' That proposals for the supply of Plans Specifications

Specifications and Estimates to be received at the meeting to be held on the 8th June 1898.

Irish Financial Reform League Letter Resolutions and Petition adjourned to next Meeting

A Communication Resolution and Copy of a Petition received from the Irish Financial League were directed to be referred to next meeting the Members to be notified to Consider same.

Streets Proposal for service of Man & Horse for Street

Proposals for the service of Man Horse and Cart for twelve months from the 1st July 1898, were read from Michael Maddock Mount Garret Lane for £1-2-6 per week.

From Philip Hartley Michael Street, the present Contractor, at £1-3-6 per week.

Proposed by Mr Tierney

Seconded by Kennedy — That Philip Hartley's proposal at £1-3-6 per week, be accepted.

Proposed by Mr Roche — That Michael Maddock's proposal, being the lowest, be accepted.

Mr Roche's proposition was not seconded.

Philip Hartleys Proposal accepted

Philip Hartley, proposal was declared accepted, Mr Roche dissenting.

The following was read

Offices New Ros, 1st June 1898

Dear Sir

In reference to the Plot of ground in Barrack Lane on the letter

submitted

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Letter McAlpin Mrs Mullins Ground in Barrack Lane

submitted to us there appears to be a clear Contract between the Commissioners and Miss Mullin, and we Consider that the ~~letter~~ latter Could, if she wished, enforce the performance of the Contract. If however the Commissioners do not wish to build on the plot, as is probably the Case, having regard to the large area they have acquired in William ~~Street~~, we think it would be well if we were permitted to negotiate with Miss Mullin for a rescission of the Contract, on the basis of a moderate pecuniary Compensation

John Tobin Yours very truly
Town Clerk New Ros Calfer & Gethin

Letter referred to next Meeting

Ordered — That the Consideration of McAlpers letter be referred to next Meeting, the members of the notified to attend to Consider same.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 8th June 1898.

Jeffers
Chairman

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1890 — Wednesday 1st June — A Special
June 1st Meeting of the Town Commissioners, Called
by the Clerk in Compliance with the
Special Meeting following Requisition — We the undersigned
Change of Town Commissioners, request that you
Fairs convene a Meeting of the Town Commi-
Important. -ssioners to be holden at 9 o'clock P.M.
on Wednesday the 1st June 1898 — to
Resolution consider and adopt a Resolution
see page 882 to alter the dates of the Fairs of New Ros.
respecting this Dated this 25th May 1898.
meeting

M. J. Fain
Peter Murphy
M. Stephenson
Peter J. Byrne
Joseph Roche

To John Lehir
Town Clerk
New Ros

Change of the Fairs

In Compliance with the foregoing
Requisition I issued the following Notice
prepared by Messrs Colfer and Fathin
on Saturday evening 28th May 1898.

You are requested to attend a Special
Meeting of the Commissioners to be holden
in the Tholsel on Wednesday the 1st day of
June 1898 at 9 o'clock P.M., to Consider
the following Resolution —

That from and
after the 1st day of January 1899, the dates
on which the Fairs of New Ros are now
held shall be altered and that in
lieu of the Fairs held on such dates,
and in addition thereto there shall be held
Fourteen

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Fourteen Fairs in each year on the follow-
-ing dates, that is to say, on the Second
Tuesday of January, February, March and
April, the Second and Fourth Tuesday of
May, the Second Tuesday of June, July,
August, and September the Second and Fourth
Tuesday of October, and the Second Tuesday
of November and December, unless when
any of said days shall fall on a Holyday
in which event the Fair shall be held
on the next following day; that the Rig
Fair shall be held on the day preceding
each of such Fairs, except such day shall
fall on a Holyday, in which event, the
Rig Fair shall be held on the day preceding
such Holyday, and that all proper and
necessary proceedings be taken to Carry out
this Resolution".

Change of the Fairs

The following members were assembled
at the Special Meeting, called by the foregoing
Notice at 9 Oclock P.M. Wednesday 1st June 1898

Present—

Matthew J Finn Chairman in the Chair
Michael J Stephenson
William Murphy
Joseph Roche
Peter Murphy
Peter J Byrne
Patrick Gannon
Patrick Tierney

Patrick

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Patrick Kennedy
Patrick Hunt
David Murphy (who took this declaration)

Proposed by Patrick Lyannon
Seconded by Patrick Hunt

Change of the Fairs

Resolution Fairs

That from and after the 1st day of January 1899, the dates on which the Fairs of New Ross are now held, shall be altered, and that in Lieu of the Fairs held on such dates, and in addition thereto, there shall be held Fourteen Fairs in each year, on the following dates that is to say, on the second Tuesday of January, February, March, and April, the second and fourth Tuesdays of May, the second Tuesday of June July, August and September, the second and fourth Tuesday of October and the second Tuesday of November and December, unless when any of the said days shall fall on a Holyday, in which event the fairs shall be held on the following day; that the Pig Fair shall be held on the day preceding each of such fairs, except such day should fall on a Holy day, in which event, the Pig Fair shall be held on the day preceding such Holy day, and that all proper and necessary proceedings be taken to Carry out this Resolution".

On the Resolution being put to the vote the members present voted for it except Mr Kierney, who dissented, and voted against.

Proposed

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Proposed by Mr Kennedy
Seconded by Mr Peter Murphy

That

Change of the Fairs

Mr Colfer be directed to take the necessary proceedings to Carry out the Resolution
On the Resolution being put to the
Vote the Members who voted for the
for the first Resolution voted for this
one as follows — Mess^rs —

M. J Finn, M. J. Stephenson,
Wm Murphy, J. Roche
P. Murphy, P. J Byrne
P Gannon, P. Kennedy
P Kent D. Murphy — 10.

Against the Resolution
P. Tierney — 1.

The Resolution was declared Carried, and
and Passed.

The Meeting was adjourned.

Chairman

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June 6th

Monday 6th June — Monthly meeting day.
No attendance of Members. The Meeting was
adjourned to Wednesday 8th June 1898.

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1898 —
June 8th

Irishtown sewer

Wednesday 8th June — A weekly, and an Adjourned Monthly Meeting of the New Rop Town Commissioners to be held on this day at 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854

Also — "To consider and decide on a letter and Report received from Mr Rope, Executive Sanitary Officer, New Rop Union, respecting a nuisance at the Good Shepherds, ~~Institution~~ Convent in Irishtown."

"To Consider and decide on a letter and Copy of Petition received from the Irish Financial Reform League."

"To Consider and decide on a letter from Messrs Colfer and Gethin respecting the Commissioners intention of Giving up the Purchase of the Ground in Barrack Lane, from Miss Mullin."

Members in attendance — Messrs Patrick Tierney, Came and left. Joseph Roche Came, and after Nine Oclock, and no Quorum, being present, he adjourned the Meeting to Wednesday 15th June 1898.

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Wednesday 15th June — Weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and ~~Street Committee~~ held this day after 7 o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854—

Also — To Consider and decide on a letter and Copy of Petition received from the Irish Financial Reform League.

To Consider and decide on a letter from Messrs Calfer & ~~Ely~~ Ellis Solicitors respecting the Commissioners intention of giving up the purchase of the Ground in Barrack Lane from the Misses Mullin.

Members present — Messrs —

Matthew J. Finn Chairman, in the Chair
Patrick Tierney
Michael J Stephenson
Patrick Lyannon
Joseph Roche
Patrick Kennedy
Peter J Byrne
William Murphy

Cheques were issued for the following amounts—

64 Weekly Bill 8th Instant ——— £3.15.0
66 Weekly Bill this date ——— 3.16.0

The following was read

Cumbelin New Rd. 1st June 1898.

Cottages Wynns Proposal

I propose to ~~prepare~~ prepare plans, Specifications, and Estimates for Artizans Cottages. I offer as my Sureties Mr James Galabaun J.P. and Mr Bryan Hennessy. Fee five Guineas—

Wm

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Wm H. Jones

I propose as an alternative to prepare plans and Superintend the erection of Cottages at the rate of 2½ per Cent on the Outlay. W. H. Jones

1st June 1898.

Proposed by Mr Kennedy
Seconded by Mr Roche

Cottages W Jones Proposal be accepted

That Mr Jones Tender for the preparation of Plans Specifications and Estimates for the erection of 20 Cottages, at a fee of five Guineas be accepted. Carried Unanimously.

R. Water Murray & Payne

Ordered — That Messrs Murray & Payne be asked to State the Cost of laying down a small pipe to convey the water from North Street Main pipe down Coopers Lane to Thomas Keppels premises at lower end of Coopers Lane

Pound Proposal P Connors

A proposal was read from Patrick Connors Fair Gate for the Tenancy of the pound at five Shillings per Year.

Accepted

Proposed by Mr Kennedy
seconded by Mr Stephenson

That Patrick Connor be accepted as a Monthly Tenant for the Pound at 5/ per month, if he Consents to apply to the Magistrates at Petty Sessions for appointas Pound Keeper and act as such pound Keeper.

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A Communication was read from W. D. Hunt Secretary New Rop Gas Coy asking for a Cheque for £149.4.3 due for public lighting

Ordered— That Mr Hunt be informed that a fool payment will soon be made to the Gas Coy.

A Communication was received from H. Caddell Registrar Petty Sessions Clerks Office Dublin Castle saying— I beg to inform You for the information of the Local Commissioners that the proportion of Surplus Moneys arising from the Sale of Licences under the "Dogs Regulation (Ireland) Act 1865" amounts to £18.2.9 for the Town of New Rop for the Year 1897, and to state that the Lord Lieutenant has directed that this Sum should be paid over to the Treasurer of the Commissioners, pursuant to the "Dogs Regulation (Ireland) Act 1865" to be applied by him in aid of the Town — Rates, in such manner as the Commissioners shall direct

Notice of Motion— On this evening Meek I will propose that the Balance of the Footpath on the High Hill be Completed at the expense

expense of the Corporation
15th June 1898. P J Byrne

The Clerk reported - That Edward Miskella had ceased to be a Commissioner on the 14th Instant not having attended a Meeting of the Commissioners for the previous Six.

Ordered That notices be issued inviting the members to attend next Meeting to elect a member in place of Mr Miskella who has ceased to act.

In Reference to the letter received from Messrs Calfer respecting the purchase of the Ground in Barrack Lane from Miss Mullin, read at Meeting held on the 1st Instant.

Proposed by Mr Gannon
Seconded by Mr Feeney

That Messrs Calfer and Gethin be asked to ascertain from Miss Mullin the amount for which she will allow a recision of the Contract for the purchase of the Ground in Barrack Lane.

Carried unanimously.

The following were read

Irish Financial Reform League
19 Lincoln Place, Dublin 28th May 1898.

Dear Sir,

By direction of the All Ireland Committee, I have the honour to forward enclosed

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enclosed Copy of a Petition to the House of Commons, praying that effect may be given to the findings of the Royal Commission on the Financial Relations of Great Britain and Ireland; and to ask that you will be so good as to bring it under the Consideration of your Board at its next meeting.

For your Convenience I also enclose a Resolution relative to sealing the Petition.

In the event of your Board deciding to adopt the Petition, my Committee will thank you to have it sealed, in the space at foot thereof, with the Board's Official Seal, and returned to me at your earliest Convenience. It is important that the Petition should be presented to Parliament prior to the Coming debate on the question

I am, Dear Sir,
Yours faithfully
A. Keogh Nolan, Secretary.

Proposed by Mr Kennedy
Seconded by Mr Roche,

That the Petition now read be adopted, Copied by the Clerk, signed by the Chairman, on behalf of the Town Commissioners, Sealed with our Official Seal, Countersigned by our Clerk and transitted to Mr A. K. Nolan, Secretary to the Irish Financial Reform League, Lincoln Place Dublin as soon as possible. Passed Unanimously.

The following is the form of the Petition when sent

Sent off signed and Sealed.

To the Honorable the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, in Parliament assembled.

The Humble Petition of the Town Commissioners of New Ross.

Sheweth:—

That your Petitioners represent the Tax-payers and other interests in Ireland.

That for many Years past members of your Honorable House representing Irish Constituencies claimed that Ireland was already taxed beyond what was her fair proportion under the treaty entered into at the time of the Union.

That the Records of Your Honorable House show that frequent Protests were made against such over-taxation, and were put forward by Irish Members of all Political parties.

That a Royal Commission was appointed to enquire and report upon the Financial Relations of Great Britain and Ireland, by Royal Warrant dated the 24th day of March 1894.

That the said Royal Commission duly presented its Report; and to such Report Your Petitioners would respectfully direct the attention of Your Honorable House, finding as it does that the Charges of the over-taxation of Ireland are true having regard to her relative taxable Capacity, and that such over-taxation amounted to about two and three quater

millions

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millions sterling annually.

Your Petitioners, therefore, pray that Your Honorable House will take into Consideration the findings of the Royal Commission, with a view to adopting such necessary measures in relation thereto as the justice of the case demands.

And Your Petitioners will ever pray.

Signed by Order of the Town Commissioners, at Meeting and on their behalf.

Commissioners Common Seal attached.

Chairman.

Signed, and Sealed by order, passed at Meeting of the Town Commissioners, duly Convened by Notice, to Consider the Petition, and held on the 15th June 1898.

John Tobin, Town Clerk.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 15th June 1898.

1898 — Monday 20th June — A Meeting of the Committee
June 20th " appointed to see Mr Gerald Doyle Robert St. to get him to write, stating that he had no objection to having Manure stored in the Yard on the Quay — held this day after 5 Oclock P.M.

Present — Messrs — Patrick Tierney
Peter Murphy
Patrick Gannon.

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The Committee went to see the place.
On seeing Mr Doyle he stated he had no objection whatever to having the manure stored in the yard said he would sign a document to that effect.

The Committee saw Mr Pierce Kavagh the Agent for the Waterford steamship Company whose yard adjoins the manure yard. He stated he had not the slightest objection to having the manure stored in the yard but would not sign any document respecting the matter. He expressed his opinion there was no room for objection now, more than during the many years the yard had been occupied as a manure yard.

1898 — June 21st — Tuesday 21st day of June. A meeting of members of the Committee appointed to get the repairs done to Mrs Galavan's houses, held this day after 10 Oclock A.M.

Present — Members —

Peter J. Byrne & Patrick Gannon.

Committee to get work done at Mrs Galaxens houses

Patrick Lacey was present with the Committee.

The Members inspected the Dwelling house and outhouses with Mr Lacey.

Committee directed

The roof of the stable at the South side of the yard wall down, and the roof being rather flat the Members directed P. Lacey to replace the present with a Zink roof, and use the slates in the repairs of the roof

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roof of the Dwelling House. Also to do
the repairs required on the adjoining Outhouse
In the Dwelling House the members
directed that eight rafters and eight Collars
be supplied by P Lacey and also to
repair the roof Generally

1898 — Tuesday 21st day of June — A Special Meeting
June 21st of the Town Commissioners, Called by the
following Requisition, and notice, issued
in Compliance with Circular, received
by the Clerk from the Local Government
Special Meeting on Letter Local Govt Board Board for Ireland, and held this day
at 7½ Oclock P. M.

Copy of Requisition.

Requisition We the undersigned Town Commissioners
request that You will Convene a "Special
Meeting of the Town Commissioners, to be
holden at 7.30 P. M. on Tuesday the 21st
day of June 1898, To Consider and decide
on replies to be given to a Circular
received from the Local Government
Board, as to whether the Commissioners would
like to adopt Triennial or the present
System of Annual Election of Commissioners
under the County Councils Bill.

17th June 1898. Peter Murphy
To The Town Clerk Wm Murphy
New Ross. Matthew

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Matthew J. Finn
Patrick Tierney
Joseph Rocke

Copy of Notice issued by the Clerk in accordance with the Requisition — "You are requested to attend a "Special Meeting" of the Town Commissioners to be holden in the Thalsel on Tuesday the 21st day of June 1898, at 7½ Oclock P.M. — "To Consider and decide on Replies to be given to a Circular received from the Local Government Board, as to Whether the Commissioners would like to adopt Triennial, or the System of Annual Election of Commissioners under the County Councils Bill".

Members in attendance — Mess —
Matthew J. Finn, Chairman, in the Chair.
Patrick Tierney
Patrick Lyamon
Peter J. Byrne
Joseph Rocke

The Clerk stated that on receipt of the Circular, he prepared the Requisition, got it Signed, and issued the Notices to the members Convening the Meeting, and had them Served on Friday Evening 17th June, in Order to have them Served two Clear days before the Meeting.

Letter L.G.B. The following was read.

No. 102/M/1898. Local Government Board,
Dublin, 16th June 1898

Sir,

Adverting to the Local Government Bill now

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Annual or Triennial Elections by Councils

now before Parliament Laws directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to State that as the Bill now stands it is proposed to give the Governing bodies of Boroughs and Urban Districts power to adopt the Triennial system of election as prescribed for County Councils instead of the existing system of Annual Elections.

It has been urged, however that it would be more in accordance with the wishes of the General Municipal Bodies if the Triennial system were applied generally and not made adoptive by the Bill.

The Local Government Board are anxious to ascertain the views of Governing Bodies of Boroughs and Towns upon this point, and I am therefore to request you will be good enough to Convene a Special Meeting of the New Rop Town Commissioners, and to furnish the Board with their observations on the subject by this day week if Practicable.

I am
Sir
Your obedient Servant
Thomas A. Mooney,
Secretary.

To
The Clerk to the Town Commissioners,
New Rop.

After due Consideration and discussion as to the advantages and disadvantages

of

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of the Annual and Triennial Elections it was
Proposed by W Byrne
Seconded by W Gannon —
That if the existing

Resolution in favour of Triennial Election of Coun^rs

System, Annual Election of One-Third
of the entire body is to be abolished, and
election of the entire Body substituted, this
Board is of opinion that triennial election
instead of annual, should be made
general under the Local Government Bill.
Carried Unanimously.

The Meeting was adjourned.

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June 22nd

Wednesday 22nd June — Weekly
Meeting of the Town Commissioners and
Street Committee held this day after
7 o'clock P.M. to transact business
pursuant to the Towns Improvement
Ireland Act 1854 — Also — To Elect
a Chairman for the ensuing year.
To elect a Commissioner in place
of Edward Mikella Who has ceased
to act.
To Consider a Motion for Completing.
the Balance of the High Hill footpath by the
Commissioners.

Members present — Mesars —
Matthew J. Finn Chairman, in the Chair.
Patrick Kennedy
Patrick Tierney

Patrick

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Patrick Lyamon
Peter Murphy
Joseph Roche
Peter J. Byrne

69 The weekly Bill amounted to — £3.12.1

Election or Coption of a Comrs in place of Mr Miskella

Proposed by Mr Tierney
Seconded by Mr Lyamon

That Arthur J. Doyle be elected a Commissioner, in place of Edward Miskella, who has ceased to be a Commissioner

A. J. Doyle proposed

Proposed by Mr Kennedy
Seconded by Mr Roche

That Henry G. Kinson be elected a Commissioner in place of Edward Miskella, who has ceased to be a Commissioner.

H. G. Kinson proposed

On a poll being taken by the Chairman there appeared, for Mr Kinson — Messrs — Roche, Kennedy, and Byrne — 3.

For Mr Doyle — Messrs — Tierney & Lyamon — 2. The Chairman and Mr P. Murphy declined to vote.

Mr W. Murphy had not entered the meeting when the Roll was taken.

Mr Kinson was declared duly elected.

Kinson Elected

A proposal was read from Miss Whitney Cracen for two Reaps of Manure at 22/6 per

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per heap.

Manure

Ordered - That Mrs Whitneys proposal for two heaps of manure at 22/6 per heap be accepted.

In accordance with notice to the Members —

Proposed by Mr Byrne
Seconded by Mr Kennedy That the

Balance of the High Hill foot path from Haynes' house to the steps leading to the Convent be Completed - Cost not to exceed seven Pounds. Passed unanimously.

Election of Chairman

Election of Chairman of the Town Comrs

Mr Kennedy, in very laudatory terms, as to the very efficient and intelligent manner in which he had discharged the duties of the office, since this election thereto, Proposed That Matthew J. Finn be elected Chairman of the Town Commissioners.

The Chairman expressed his disinclination to Continue in the office for more than twelve months.

Mr P. Murphy seconded Mr Kennedy's proposition.

Chairman Consented to be reelected

The Members pressed urgently on the Chairman to Continue to render his valued services. He consented, and was warmly and unanimously elected to the position.

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The Chairman returned suitable thanks, for the kindly expression of opinion respecting him by his fellow Members

Artizans Dwellings
Mr Jones produced ground plan at meeting

Mr Jones, County surveyors Assistant Came before the meeting with a ground plan of the Twenty Cottages for the working Classes

Members - Now present — Messrs - J. Roche, P. Murphy W. Murphy, P. Byrne, & P. Gannon. and the Chairman.

Messrs - P. Tierney, and P. Kennedy had left.

The Members examined the plans, ~~and after~~ and after expressing their opinions thereon & Mr Jones, it was agreed that the plans be prepared for adoption.

Large Room Given for Cycle Meeting

An application for the use of the large Room in the Tholsel, for the purpose of holding a Cycle meeting on Thursday evening 23rd Instant, was read from Geo. Armstrong South Strand.

Ordered — That the use of the Room be given as requested.

Slate quarries
letter from owners asking Corp. their states
read

A Communication was read from William Hughes, Managing director, Victoria Slate Company, Carrick-on-Suir saying — I see by the papers that you have now decided on building a Number of Cottages and I would be greatly obliged if you would kindly

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Kindly let me Know what Kind of slates and size that are specified for the work. I may tell you that we supplied the slates for the 74 Artizans Cottages build by the Waterford Corporation last year, and that our slates are specified for the 144 new Cottages the same Corporation are now about to start with.

Waiting the favour of your Reply.

I remain dear Sir,

truly yours

W Hughes.

No Order made

The Meeting was adjourned to Thursday ~~25th~~ June 1898 ~~Thursday~~ Wednesday being a Holyday.

Inspector

Chairman

1898 June ~~25th~~ 30th — Thursday ~~25th~~ 30th June A weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7h Oclock P. M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 — Wednesday being a Holyday. Present — Messrs —

Matthew J Tim, Chairman, in the Chair.

~~Peter J. Byrne~~

Henry G. Hinson (took the Commissioners declaration)

Peter Murphy

Michael

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Michael J Stephenson
Patrick Lyanson
Joseph Roche
William Murphy.

71 The weekly Bill amounted to £3. 16. 0

Large Room the Cleaned

Ordered — That the Large Room be washed out, the windows Cleaned and the posters washed from the Walls, Outside.

Wms on Tholsel the ex by P Lacey

2 Ordered — That Patrick Lacey be directed to examine the Pillars on the Tholsel, and if necessary, to have them properly secured.

3 Proposed by W Roche
Seconded by W Byrne,

Rosslare & Fishguard Railway — Harbour Comrs the ake result by Opposition thereto

That the New Ross Harbour Commissioners be respectfully asked to be so good as to state for the information of this Board, the result of the opposition to the Rosslare and Fishguard Railway Bill, originated for the protection of the Mercantile interests of New Ross.

Passed Unanimously.

Large Room Given

4 An application for the use of the Large Room, to hold a Committee Meeting of the New Ross Cricket Club at 9 O'clock this evening was read from Mr Wm G. Williams, Hon. Sec. to the Club.

Granted.

Ordered —

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5 Ordered — That Advertisments be issued inviting proposals for Completing the Balance of the footpath at upper end of High Hill from Haynes house to the steps leading to the Augustinian Chapel in accordance with the Specification by which the work of the Completed footpath was done.

Fairs Clerk to ask Mssrs Colfer & Gethin of steps taken

Ordered — That the Clerk write to Messrs Colfer and Gethin, asking them to be so good as to inform the Commissioners of the steps that have been taken respecting the Fairs question, as we feel desirous of knowing its present position.

Artizans Dwellings Plan & Specifications at Meeting

The Ground plan and Specification for the twenty Artizans Dwellings proposed to be built between William Street and Cross Lane were laid before the meeting, were examined and Considered.

Artizans Dwellings Mr Jones at Meeting

Mr Jones Came before the Meeting and after some Conversation on the subject said there were a few alterations he wished to make in the Specification — that he would take it and return and return it soon.

Artizans Dwellings Clerk & Surveyor Mssrs Colfer & Gethin. Plan & Specification

Ordered — That after the return of the Specification by Mr Jones, the Clerk bring the plan and Specification to Messrs — Colfer and Gethin, and ask

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ask their advice as to the steps to be taken by the Commissioners to facilitate the building of the Artizans Dwellings

Boat of Land and Gravel required

Street Inspectors Report — A Boatload of Land, and a boatload of Gravel will be required for Conceting, and for the Bridge and Cook Lane.

There will be four heaps of Manure ready for Sale at next Meeting of the Commissioners

Advertisements for Land & Gravel

Ordered — That advertisements be issued inviting proposals for the Supply of a boatload of Clean Land and a boatload of Clean Gravel.

Manure Advertisements Ordered —

Ordered — That Advertisements be issued by posters, inviting proposals for four heaps of Manure, the Proposals to be Considered at next Meeting.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 6th July 1898.

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Monday 4th July —

Monthly Meeting day.

No attendance of Members.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 6th July 1898.

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Wednesday 6th July — A weekly, and an adjourned Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners, and a Meeting of the Street Committee to be held this day at 7½ Oclock P.M., to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 — Also — "To Consider a Rough Estimate of a Borough Rate".

"To Consider a letter received by Messrs — Calfer & Gethin from the Local Government Board respecting the Fairs question."

Members in attendance — Messrs —

Joseph Roche
Peter J. Byrne
Henry G. Hinson
Patrick Gannon.

A Quorum not having assembled, the Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 13th July 1898.

At half past 8 Oclock, Mr Hinson wrote the following at the end of the Sanitary Meeting Minutes of the 30th ultimo. —

"In Consequence of only three Commissioners attending for one hour after time for Meeting I adjourn Meeting to Wednesday the 13th Instant.

Henry G. Hinson
Chmn.

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1898 — July 13th

Wednesday 13th July — A weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7 o'clock P.M. to transact Business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854

Also — "To Consider a letter received by Messrs — Calfer & Gethin from the Local Government Board respecting the Fairs question"

"To Consider on a Rough Estimate of a Borough Rate."

"To Consider a letter from Messrs — Calfer and Gethin respecting Witnesses and evidence to be provided to be submitted at an Inquiry to be held on the 26th Instant by the Local Government Inspector respecting the proposed Change of the Fairs in New Rop. Important.

Members present — Messrs ——

Henry G. Hinson, in the Chair.

William Murphy

Michael J Stephenson

Patrick Gannon

Peter Murphy

Patrick Tierney

Peter J Byrne

Joseph Roche

John Meehan

Cheques were issued for the following amounts

73 Weekly Bill 6th Instant —— £3.11.6

75 Weekly Bill this date —— —— 3.12.0

New Rop Fairs.

The following Communications were read.

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Offices New Rop. 5th July 1898

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 30th ultimo he beg to enclose Copy of letter from Local Government Board which reached us on Friday last.

Yours very truly
Colfer & Gethin

John Tobin Town Clerk.
New Rop

Local Government Board
Dublin 30th June 1898

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to acknowledge the receipt of your further letter of the 21st instant relating to the proposed alteration by the New Rop Urban Sanitary Authority of the dates for holding fairs in New Rop, and in reference thereto I am to state that the Board deem it desirable to cause a local inquiry to be instituted as to the propriety of Consenting to the Change in the days for holding the Fairs. When the Town Commissioners should produce same prima facia evidence that they are the Owners of the Tolls. The Board will address the Commissioners again as to the time and place which may be fixed for holding the inquiry.

I am Gentlemen
Your obedient Servant
J. J. Dowling
Acting Secretary

To
Messrs Colfer & Gethin

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No 28,329: 1898. Local Government Board
New Rop (Town). Dublin, 11th July, 1898.

Sir,

With reference to the application of the Town Commissioners of New Rop, for the Board's Consent to Certain alterations in the days for holding fairs in the town, I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland, to forward to you, herewith, placard notices of the inquiry which has been ordered in the matter and to request that you will cause the goodness to cause them to be posted through the district as extensively and as early as possible.

I am
Sir
Your obedient Servant
J. J. Dowling
Acting Secretary.

The Town Clerk
New Rop.

Offices, New Rop, 11th July 1898.

Dear Sir, Re Change of Fairs.

The Local Government Board Inspector will hold an Inquiry as to above matter at the Thatch on 26th inst. I think it would be well if the Commissioners appointed a Committee to Confer with us as to the nature of the evidence to be brought forward and the witnesses who should be examined.

Kindly bring this under the notice of the Commissioners at their next Meeting.

Yours very truly
John R Colfer.

John Lahiff
Town clerk, New Rop.

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Proposed by Wm P. Murphy
Secunded by Wm Stephenson

That a Committee of this Board be appointed ~~to Confer with~~ Mr Colfer, as suggested in his letter, respecting evidence and witnesses to be produced before the Local Government Board Inspector as follows — Messrs — William Murphy, Peter Murphy, Patrick Lyannon, Joseph Roche, and the Chairman Mr Frim. — The Clerk to see Mr Colfer, and after being informed by him of the time he can attend, the Clerk to issue notices to the Members to attend at the hour he will appoint for the Meeting. Passed ~~Unanimously~~ Mr Tierney dissenting.

Houses for the Working Classes.

The following were read.

Offices, New Rop, 6th July 1898.

Housing of working Classes Acts.

Dear Sirs,

We read in the Local papers recently that the Commissioners have decided on erecting 20 houses on the land between Cross Lane and William Street, leased from Colonel Tattenham. Now before applying for the loan, it is necessary that the Consent of the Treasury should be obtained to the appropriation of the land to the purpose of these Acts, and according to the practice in the Treasury Office, the Memorial to the Lords Commissioners must give particulars of the

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the lands sought to be appropriated and state the numbers of houses intended to be erected.

It occurs to us that the plot of land in question would afford space for Considerably over 20 houses, and therefore we would suggest that the Memorial should Contain the full number of houses that the Commissioners intend to build at any time, leaving them to build the houses at such times as they may think proper.

We enclose Copy of a letter received from Miss Mullin, from which we gather that she will insist on the Commissioners Carrying out their Contract for the purchase of the plot in Barrack Lane. We therefore think that the Conveyance of this plot, which is prepared) should be Completed at once and a Cheque for £20 sent us for Miss Mullin, so as to enable us to include the plot in the application to the Treasury.

We will be glad to learn from you the decision of the Commissioners on this matter as possible so that we may have the Memorial to the Treasury ready for the Signature of the Commissioners at their Meeting next week. Yours very truly

Calfer and Gethin

To John Tobin
Town Clerk, New Ross.

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The following was read

Tramore, June 25th 1898.

Dear McAlfee,

Received yours to day.

The Commissioners wrote on June 12th 1897, asking us to sell them the plot and send deeds & Lease for inspection, which We did— they offering £20 which we accepted. We could have disposed of it since, but having agreed to the Commissioners offer the Chance was lost.

The Commissioners are therefore bound to Carry out their agreement paying us the £20 for which We have been so long Kept waiting.

Sincerely Yours

C. Mullin

J. R. McAlfee Esqr

Rosary Place Newpor.

Offices, Newpt. 9th July 1898.

Dear Sir,

In our letter of the 6th Inst. We did you an unconcious injustice which we hasten to set right. Our McAlfee When that letter had not been Yours of of the 4th Instant, but had been the Newspaper Report of the proceedings re Housing of the working Classes. Of Course Your letter Conveyed the information which was given by the press but our letter would be Calculated to Create the imprension that You had not Written us, as stated above, would be quite

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Contrary to the fact.

Yours Very truly
Walker & Gethin

John Gokin
Town Clerk, New Ros.

After due consideration it was

Ordered— That the Contract with Miss Mullin be Completed, for the Sale of the Plot of Ground in Barrack Lane and that she be paid £30, the amount agreed on to be paid her.

Ordered— That Sixty Cottages be built on the plot of ground situate between William Street and Cross Lane, rented from Colonel Tottenham, and that Eight Cottages be built on the plot of ground purchased from Miss Mullin in Barrack Lane.

A proposal was read from Michael Roche Ballybeg Rosbercon for four Heaps of Manure at 22/- per Heap.

Manure

A proposal was read from Bryan Hennessy New Ros for two Heaps of Manure at 22/- per Heap

Ordered— That Bryan Hennessys proposal for two Heaps of Manure at 22/- per Heap be accepted

Ordered— That Michael Roche's proposal be accepted for two Heaps of Manure at 22/-

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22/- per heap be accepted. That as soon as two more heaps are formed he can have them if he desires to take them.

Mr Roche brought under the notice of the meeting the heroic and praiseworthy action of Mr Patrick Dooley of Garrenbehy who on the 6th of June last jumped from the stern of the Ross steamer and swam to the rescue of a man named Patrick Butler, who had fallen into the river and swam to the place where the man had sunk; that Mr Dooley had dived and succeeded in bringing the drowning man to the surface, and then swam with him to where Mr Ed Furniss was at the stern of the boat and gave him into his hands. That since he (Mr Roche) had brought this matter before the Commissioners first he had made inquiries of most respectable eye witnesses who could certify as to the accuracy of his statements respecting the matter.

Ordered - That the Clerk be directed to communicate with the Royal Humane Society and describe Mr Dooleys meritorious action, and ask the Royal Humane Society to Kindly express their recognition of Mr Dooleys very unusual risk which he ventured into to save the life of Thomas Butler.

The Meeting was adjourned
to Wednesday 20th July 1898

1898 — A Friday 15th July — A meeting of the
July 15th — Committee appointed to meet Mr Colfer Solr.
& Confer with him as to the nature
of the evidence and the witnesses to be
brought forward & be examined before
the Local Government Board Inspector
G. R. Lynch-Staunton Esqr on Tuesday
the 20th Instant, respecting the
proposed Change of the Fairs in
New Ross, held this day at 4 Oclock P.M.
& transact business. Present-Messrs-

Matthew J. Finn in the Chair
Peter Murphy
Joseph Roche
William Murphy
Patrick Lyons

Mr Colfer went into the details of the
business for which the Meeting had
been Called.

After due Conversation and Consideration
Mr Colfer and the Chairman took down a
list of persons likely to be able to give
intelligent evidence on the Fairs question
Mr Colfer said he would Communi-
Cate with them by Circular

The Meeting was adjourned

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To Consider a Resolution from the Limerick Corporation respecting the Reduction of Interest on Public Loans.

Members present — Messrs —
Matthew J. Finn Chairman in the Chair
Patrick Kierney
Joseph Roche
Peter J. Byrne
Patrick Gannon
William Murphy
Henry G. Hinson.

Cheques were issued for the following amounts —

76	Weekly Bill	£4.18.6
77	Patrick Leacey, amt of ap rendered	16.6.6
78	John Gobin, Clerk ¼ Salary due 7th Inst —	18.15.0

St Inspectors Report — I would recommend that a Lock and Chain be put on the Pump in Devill Street, Michael Street, Cross Lane and at Irishtown Lay at 8 Oclock. P.M.

Mr Hartnett has taken the Fire Engine from Mr Taylors Yard in Priory Lane over the yard inside the Commissioners Yard and cleaned it up. one

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One hundred and Sixty has been delivered by Patrick Carroll for the Commissioners on this week.

Ordered — That the pumps referred to be locked at 9 Oclock at night until 8 Oclock A.M. next morning and left open until 11 Oclock A.M. and then locked until four in the evening and locked at Nine oclock at Night.

The Clerk was directed to ascertain which of the Messrs Hartrick represent the late Mr William Hartrick who was the Contractor for Keeping the Fire Engine in Order, as William Hartrick and Sons.

Ordered — That Messrs — R. Tierney P. J. Byrne and J. Roche be appointed to inspect the Dunbeney Fountain and direct as to What is required to be done to it.

The following were read

Harbour Commissioners' Office. New Rds.
July 14th 1898

Dear Sir.

I am directed by the New Rds Harbour Commissioners to inform you in Consequence of the absence of one of the deputationists who proceeded to

At London on behalf of the above Board relative to the Fishguard and Rosslare Railway Bill, no report has yet been received written, or otherwise from the Deputation. There may possibly be such a Report presented to this Board at next Monthly Meeting, August 3rd 1898, when I shall be happy to Communicate result of same to you if directed to do so by my Board.

Remain Yours &c
P Kennedy

L. J. Lodin
New Ross Town Commissioners

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Harbour Commissioners' Office
New Ross July 6th 1898.

Dear Sir,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your Communication of the 1st Instant, and beg to state that in accordance with your request on behalf of the New Ross Town Commissioners I duly presented same before the Monthly Meeting of the Harbour Board held on this day, when it was considered.

I am directed by the Harbour Board Commissioners to inform you that up to the present there has been no report received from the members of the deputation who were in London on behalf of the New Ross Harbour Board relative

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relative to the Fishguard and Rosslare Railway Co. I also desire to inform you that there will be a meeting of the Harbour Board on the 14th inst when it is expected that such Report will be presented to the Commissioners and I shall duly inform you of the result of same, and give you the information you require if directed to do so by the New Ros Harbour Commissioners I am Sir,

Yours truly

W. J. McLoughlin
Clerk, New Ros Town Commissioners.

Patrick Kennedy
Secretary

A proposal was read from Patrick Carroll for the supply of one boatload of Clean sand and a boatload of Coarse gravel at 25/- per boatload.

Ordered — That Patrick Carrolls proposal for the supply of a boatload of sand and a boatload of gravel at 25/- be accepted.

A proposal was Read from Michael Freaney Bullaun for the Tenancy of a house belonging to the Town Commissioners lately occupied by John Stafford near Fair Gate, and offering as his sureties, Patrick Hogan North Street and Thomas Doyle Mary Street.

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Proposed by Mr Byrne
Seconded by Mr Murphy

That Michael Freaney's proposal for the Tenancy of the house near Fair Gate be accepted, he and his Sureties to enter into and Sign the usual Bond for the Payment of the rent.

Passed.

A Communication was received from W. M. Nolan Town Clerk, Limerick asking that the following Resolution would be Submitted to, and adopted by the Town Commissioners.

Copy of Resolution.

Unanimously adopted by the Town Council of Limerick at a Special Meeting held on the 12th July 1890.

The Right Worshipful Alderman Lucas Mayor in the Chair.

Proposed by Town Councillor Kirkham
Seconded by Alderman Gaphney J.P.

Resolved — That we the Town Council of Limerick beg to urge strongly on the attention of the Government the Urgent necessity of introducing a Clause in the new Local Government Bill, or otherwise, giving the benefit of the recent Act (60 & 61 Vic. Cap. 57) to enable the Treasury to reduce the interest on the Loans already granted to the Corporation, which would mean a Considerable saving yearly on the debt due by this Corporation.

and

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and that Copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Chief Secretary, the City and County Members, Messrs Redmond Dillon, Healy, and Colonel Saunderson, and the several Irish Corporations and Town Commissioners for their approval and adoption".

Proposed by Mr Tierney
Seconded by Mr Wm Murphy

That the foregoing Resolution, received from the Limerick Corporation, now read and duly Considered be adopted.

Passed Unanimously.

The following was read

Gracedieu House, Loughrea, W.
July 1898.

National Memorial to Mr Gladstone.

Sir,

At the Joint Meeting of the Committee formed for arranging a National Memorial to Mr Gladstone, it was unanimously Resolved that the Mayors and Provosts and Chairmen of Town Commissioners of the United Kingdom should be invited to Join the General Committee.

Should You Consent to your name being included, I shall be obliged by

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by an early answer in the enclosed envelope.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient Servant
Westminster
Chairman of General Committee

The Chairman of the Town
Commissioners, New Ros.

Proposed by Mr Murphy
Seconded by

That our Chairman's
name be sent on to be added
included in the Gladstone Memorial
Committee. Passed.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday
27th July 1898.

1898 — 22nd July. Friday 22nd July — A meeting of the Fairs Evidence Committee held this day at 7:15 P. M. to meet and Confer with Mr Colfer respecting very important Matters Connected with the Inquiry to be held respecting the Fairs question to be inquired into on the 26th Instant. Present — Messrs —

Matthew J. Finn Chairman J.P. in the Chair
Peter Murphy
Joseph Roche
Patrick Gaimon

After a Conversation on Matters Connected with the Enquiry to be held in the Town Commissioners' Office on Tuesday 26th July 1898 by

Mr Murphy — For Proceedings of this meeting see Rate Book 7 a Borough Rate 935.

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by C. R. Lynch - Staunton Local Government Inspector respecting ~~the~~ Change in ~~the~~ dates for holding the Fairs in New Ros. — Mr Colfer ~~stated~~ that he had sent Circulars to about thirty persons, inviting them to attend the Enquiry to give evidence. That he had got answers from about Ten and explained ~~the~~ nature of some of them.

Some new names were added to the list of names already selected to be invited to attend the Enquiry to give evidence.

The Meeting adjourned.

1898 — Tuesday 26th day of July. At 12 oclock
July 26th noon on this day,

C. R. Lynch - Staunton Esq. Local Government Board Inspector opened ~~the~~ Local Enquiry in the Town Commissioners' Office into the application to the Local Government by the Town Commissioners for their Consent to an alteration in the days for holding the Fairs in the Town of New Ros on the days named in the application Mr Colfer and Gethin appeared for the Town Commissioners and produced Witnesses in favour of the Change in the dates for holding the Fairs. Mr W. F. Browne LLD Solicitor appeared for the opponents of the Change in the dates for holding the Fairs, and Cross-examined the

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ALTERATION OF FAIRS, NEW ROSS.

WHEREAS the Town Commissioners of New Ross have made application to the Local Government Board for Ireland for their consent to an alteration in the days for holding Fairs in the town of New Ross, so that in future the days for holding the Fairs shall be as follows:—

2nd	Tuesday	in	January.
2nd	Tuesday	in	February.
2nd	Tuesday	in	March.
2nd	Tuesday	in	April.
2nd	Tuesday	in	May.
4th	Tuesday	in	May.
2nd	Tuesday	in	June.
2nd	Tuesday	in	July.
2nd	Tuesday	in	August.
2nd	Tuesday	in	September.
2nd	Tuesday	in	October.
4th	Tuesday	in	October.
2nd	Tuesday	in	November.
2nd	Tuesday	in	December.

Now, therefore, the Local Government Board hereby give notice that they have directed their Inspector, C. R. Lynch-Staunton, Esq., to hold a Local Inquiry in the matter, and to report to them thereon, and that the said C. R. Lynch-Staunton will attend at the Town Commissioners' Office, New Ross, at 12 o'clock noon on Tuesday, the 26th day of July, 1898, for the purpose of holding such Inquiry, at which all persons interested may attend and give evidence.

By Order of the Board,

THOMAS A. MOONEY,

Secretary.

Local Government Board, Dublin,
Dated this 6th day of July, 1898.

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Witnesses. The Enquiry was adjourned
~~to~~ to 10 Oclock A.M ~~Tuesday~~ Wednesday
27th July 1898.

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At ten Oclock this day Mr. Lynch-Staun-
-ton resumed the Enquiry.

After the examination of some
Witnesses in favour of the Change
in the dates for holding the Fairs Mr
Browne produced Witnesses in
favour of allowing the Fairs to be
held on the present dates. The
Witnesses were Cross-examined by
Mr Colfer and Gethin.

At the Conclusion of the Enquirey
Mr Colfer, in very laudatory terms
proposed a Vote of thanks to Mr Lynch-
-Staunton for the very able, impartial and
Satisfactory manner to all parties, in
which he had Conducted the Enquirey.

Mr Brown, in equally laudatory, and
Corroborating terms of approval, Seconded
the proposition, which on being put to
the large assemblage of the persons in favour
of, and against the Change in the dates for
holding the Fairs, was unanimously passed
with Warm demonstrations of approval.

The Enquiry then Concluded.

The Notice Received from the Local Government
Board informing of the holding of the Enquiry is
pasted in margin here.

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The following proceedings were omitted in error from Meeting held on 20th July 1898.

The Clerk submitted a Rough Estimate of a Borough Rate The following is a summary of the Estimate

Expenditure — Town Commissioners — Prospective £491 - 9 - 0
Claims for Payment — Retrospective — 371 - 3 - 10
862 - 12 - 10

Expenditure — Sanitary Authority — Prospective £151 - 15 - 0
Claims for Payment, Sanitary Authority Retrospective 79 - 4 - 1 230 - 19 - 1
£1093 - 11 - 11

Assets — Town Commissioners 606 - 18 - 2
" Sanitary Authority — 20 - 2 - 6 627 - 0 - 8
Balance for which Borough Rate will be required £466 - 11 - 3

By the foregoing Statement it appears that the sum of £466 - 11 - 3 will be required to be supplied by a Borough Rate

On the last Assessable Valuation of the Borough £770 - 5 - 6 a Rate of one Shilling in the Pound will produce £385 - 5 - 5, leaving a Balance of £81 - 5 - 10 unprovided for.

Proposed by Mr Byrne
Seconded by Mr Murphy

That this Estimate
be

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be adopted, and that Notice of same be given by Printed Placards, posted in Town, and by insertion of advertisements in the New Ross Standard, and in the Free Press, of our intention to make a Rate on Wednesday 27th July 1898.

Passed Unanimously.

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July 27th — Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7 o'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Also — "To strike a Borough Rate".

Present — Mayor —
Matthew J. Finn Chairman, in the Chair
Michael J. Stephenson
Patrick Lyons
Peter Murphy
Joseph Roche
Peter J. Byrne

Cheques were issued for the following amounts
79 G.W. Carr, Barony Constable amt of account for County Cess & Bridge Rate — £4.7.10
81 The Weekly Bill — — — 4.18.9
82 Joseph Dollard — Minute Book 18.6

A proposal was received from Patrick Brazil, Conduit Lane — for doing the work and supplying the two inch pipe required

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to Convey pipe Water from the main pipe in North Street to Thomas Keppels premises in Coopers Lane for the Sum of £4-15-0

Ordered — That the Street Inspector measure the distance on the Quay from Richard Armstrongs house to the door of Thomas Keppels House in Order to ascertain the Cost of laying down a main pipe there.

In accordance with public Notice advertised —

Proposed by Mr Byrne
Seconded by Mr Murphy

That we agree to make a Borough Rate of Twelve pence in the Pound on the Net Assessable Valuation of the Borough in accordance with the 17th & 18th Vic. Cap. 103, Sec. 60 and that said Rate be payable on the 27th August 898. Passed Unanimously.

Ordered — That Our Clerk having made a Rate of One Shilling in the Pound, be advertised in the Usual manner by Printed placards, posted in Town and by Advertisement in the New Ross Standard, and in the Wexford Free Press.

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The following were read.

The National Memorial to Mr Gladstone

President of the General Committee

His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales.

The Duke of Westminster, K.G. Chairman

The Earl of Crewe, Hon. Treasurer.

Capt. John Sinclair, M.P. Hon Secretary.

Offices, 84 Mount Street, London W. C.

July 1898.

Sir,

I am desired by the General Committee of the National Memorial to Mr Gladstone to inform you that H. R. H. the Prince of Wales has kindly consented to become the President of the Committee, and in case you should wish your name to be added to the Committee as representing your Locality, to call attention to the enclosed appeal which has now been issued with the approval of H. R. H. The President of the Committee, and under the Signature of the Chairman, the Duke of Westminster. I am also requested to ask that in this event you will be so good as to direct local attention, (by the formation of a local Committee to collect donations or otherwise, as you may deem fitting), to this National effort to erect Memorials to the great statesman in the three Capitals of the United Kingdom, and also at Hawarden, his home

I have the honour to be Sir,
Your obedient Servant
John Sinclair
Hon. Sec.

The Chairman
New Rop Town Comm^rs.

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The following was also read

Sir

At a Meeting of the General Committee held at Gradsmor House London W. on Thursday, July 21st, it was decided to offer to erect Monuments in Memory of Mr Gladstone, in London, Edinburgh, and Dublin and also a Building at Hawarden to Contain the Library Collected arranged, and placed there in temporary iron structure by Mr Gladstone himself and devoted by him to the use of students from all parts of the world, and of all denominations.

Should the response to this appeal produce, as it is Confidently hoped, a larger Sum than is necessary to Carry out these primary objects, the Executive Committee will lay before the General Committee at a future date suggestions for the application of the Surplus Fund to some purpose or purposes of General utility and interest Suitable to be Specially associated with Mr Gladstone's name.

In Order to Carry out these Objects the Committee therefore appeals now to the friends and admirers of the Great Statesman, to Contribute to the Fund in a Manner worthy of his Memory and of the

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the Nation be served for so long.

All sums whether large or small will be welcome.

And they may be sent to the Chairman the Duke of Westminster, Grosvenor House London W.; or to the Honorary Secretary, National Memorial to Mr Gladstone, 84 Mount Street London W., or to the Gladstone National Memorial Fund, at the Western Branch Bank of England, Burlington Gardens London, W.

I have the Honour to be,
Sir
Your obedient servant
Westminster, Chairman.

The Chairman
Lords Commissioners &c &c &c.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 3rd August 1898.

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August 1st. No attendance of Members.
The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 3rd August 1898.

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Wednesday 3rd August — A Weekly and an Adjourned Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and of the Street Committee held this day ~~after~~ ½ a Oclock P. M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854.

Members present — Messrs —
William Murphy in the Chair
Patrick Tierney
John Meehan
Patrick Gannon
Peter Murphy
Patrick Kennedy

Cheques were issued to pay following amounts —

84 Weekly Bill ——— £4.7.3

85 Messrs — Calfer & Gethin to pay the Misses Mullin for the plot of ground bought by the Commissioners from them, situate at East side of Barrack Lane, bounded on the South by the Military Barrack — £30.0.0

½ 74 Street Inspectors Report. The pumps have been locked with Chains at the hours ordered at meeting.

Patrick Carroll Carroll on this day delivered a boatload of Gravel for the Commissioners and I had the Town horse drawing it to the Yard.

I took the number of feet from Richard Armstrongs on the Quay from where the Water Pipe ends to Mr Kepples Shop door and found it to be One Hundred and four feet in length.

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the main water pipe may go over a few feet from where ~~the~~ water pipe went into Armstrongs.

Ordered — that the Inspector ascertain the probable Cost of the main piping that would be required to be laid between Armstrongs and Kepples houses.

The following was read.

Longraigue, Folks Mill August 2nd 1898

Gentlemen,

I am sorry again to have to Complain of not getting a receipt from Your Collector.

On June 24th I got from Mr McGrath a demand for rent of Meat Market due 25th March last and next day June 25th I posted to him a Cheque for £4.18.8 for the above rent. From My Bank Book I find that the above Cheque was entered on July 1st Yet I have got no receipt.

Yours Truly

Joseph W Deane

The Town Commissioners

New Ross.

Ordered — that the Collector be directed to send on receipt to Mr Deane, for the rent paid by him, immediately and send in to the Commissioners an explanation as to why it was not sent in due time.

The following was read.

City Hall Dublin, 25th July 1898

Dear Sir,

We are instructed by the Executive of the 98 Centenary Committee to invite the Chairman

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Chairman and members of Your Board
to take part in the great demonstration
and Members of Yaur Board to take part
in the great demonstration and monster
procession to be held in Dublin on Monday,
August 15th 1898, on the Occasion of the laying
of the foundation stone of the monument to
Theobald Wolf Tone and the United Irishmen

It is needless to dwell upon the necessity
for making the Celebration worthy of those
Soldiers of freedom Who, a Century ago,

"Rose in dark and evil days
To right their native land".

We therefore rely with Confidence on the
Cordial Co-operation of your respected body.
Kindly bring the matter before the Chairman
and members of your board at the earliest
date possible and Communicate their
decision to us. By so doing you will
deeply Oblige.

Yours faithfully
John O'Leary, President
P. T. Daley and
P. T. Langhlin } Hon. Secretaries
J. P. Dunne General Secretary.

Ordered – That the Consideration of the letter
from the 98 Centenary Committee, respecting
the Seat demonstration and procession to be
held on the 15th Instant, be adjourned to next
meeting the Members to be noticed to attend.

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An application was received from Richard Farrell Lady Lane for the Tenancy of the house in William Street lately occupied by owen Kavanagh. He stated he was in the employment of Mr John Doyle Quay Street and gave as his Surety Mr William Gantly

Or. That R Farrells proposal for the Tenancy of the house in William street be accepted if he provides two Sureties and enters into the usual bond of Suretyship.

The following were read.

Harbour Commissioners' Office, New Ros, 3rd August 1898

Dear Sir,

Letter Harbour Comrs

I am directed by the New Ros Harbour Commissioners Board to forward you a Copy of the report of the deputationists who proceeded to London to give evidence on behalf of the Board and in opposition to the Fishguard and Rosslare Railway Co. Said report was presented at the Monthly Meeting held on to day, at which Eight Commissioners, and the Chairman were present the report was approved of, one Commissioner alone dissenting.

Railway question

I am Sir, Yours faithfully
M. J. Lobin, Clerk,
To the Commissioners, New Ros.

Harbour Comrs
Copy Report
respecting the Railway

Copy

Report of Committee who were deputed by the New Ros Harbour Commissioners to attend in London and give evidence re Fishguard and Rosslare Railway and Harbour Bill.

New Ros

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Dear Sir,

Railway Report from Harbour Com^rs

On the 7th day of June 1898, according to the Resolution of your Board the Deputation went over to London and had a Consultation with Counsel, and Messrs Graham Curry & Spens.

At the request of Counsel it was agreed upon that the Harbour Master should be directed to attend from day to day during the sitting of the Committee and accordingly we waited for him. He heard the evidence produced for the promoters, as also the Cross-examination on behalf of the Dublin Wicklow and Wexford Railway Company. After ten days hearing the Chairman of the Committee Sir M. K. Shuttleworth mentioned that the Committee were unanimous that the Bridge should be built and as a suggestion, he would recommend the Opposition (that is the New Rop Harbour Board) to meet the promoters and make the best terms possible. Your Deputation Considered the Suggestion of the Chairman of the Committee, and after due deliberation decided to meet the Chief Engineer, Sir Benjamin Baker, the Chief Engineer for the Great Western Railway Coy and many others the following morning which we did and they agreed to place the Bridge higher up the river and as near as possible at right angles

to

the main Current instead of being askew as in the deposited plans, to increase the width from 70 to 80 feet, lengthen the dolphins and to maintain at their own Cost the depth of the Channel so far as affected by the bridge. These alterations, though they still leave the navigation seriously affected by the Bridge will at last reduce the inconvenience and danger of a Bridge situated at the very worst Conjunction of Conflicting tides, and were the best terms your Committee could obtain under the pressure placed upon them by the Chairman of the Committee.

These are shortly the facts which occurred during our attendance in London and the Committee having regard to everything that it was better to accept these terms than refuse everything which as far as could be seen the Committee were determined to do.

Signed Charles G. Tottenham
J. J. E. Boyd
John S. Hearn

To
The Chairman
Harbour Commissioners
New Rof. Dated 2nd August 1898

Ordered—That the Consideration of the Report be adjourned to next Meeting, the Members to be noticed to attend to Consider same.

The following were read
Offices, New Rof. New Rof. 3rd August 1898.
Dear

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Re Labourers Houses.

Housing of the Working Classes
Letter Mrs Colfer Re Petition

Dear Sir,

We enclose Memorial to the Treasury asking for their Sanction to the appropriation of the Plots of land in William Street and Barrack Lane, to the purposes of the Housing of the working Classes Acts. Please have the ~~Commi-~~ Common ~~sioners~~ Seal of the Commissioners attached to the Memorial, and also get it signed by the Chairman and two other Commissioners and Countersigned by Yourself. We have Market in pencil where each signature should be placed.

Would you also Kindly obtain Cheque in our favour for £20 which sum We have paid the Misses Mullin for the Barrack Lane plot. The deed of Conveyance has been signed and is at present lodged for Registration

L. Tobin
Town Clerk New Ross

Yours Very truly
Colfer & Gethin

Housing of the Working Classes
Memorial to the Treasury

To the Right Honorable the Lords Commissioners of Her Majestys Treasury.

The Memorial of the Town Commissioners of the Town of New Ross in the Counties of Wexford and Kilkenny in Ireland.
Showeth.

1. That Memorialists are the Urban Sanitary Authority

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Housing of the Working Classes Memorial to the Treasury

Authority of the Urban Sanitary District Consisting of the Town of New Ross in the Counties of Wexford and Kilkenny, and the Local Authority as defined by the Housing of the working Classes (Ireland) Acts 1885 to 1896.

2. That as such Authority Your Memorialists have become aware that there exists within the said Sanitary District a necessity for increased accommodation for the working Classes owing to the insufficiency of the existing accommodation and the overcrowded and unsanitary Condition of many of the houses at present occupied by such Classes.

3. That Your Memorialists on the 24th day of May 1888 by Resolution adopted the Labouring Classes Lodging Houses Acts 1866 to 1885, and a Copy of said Resolution is forwarded herewith.

4. That with a view to providing increased accommodation for the working Classes in their said district Your Memorialists propose and intend to make an improvement scheme for the erection of Dwelling Houses on the lands hereinafter mentioned.

5. That Your Memorialists hold a plot of land within said Sanitary District Containing one acre and twenty eight perches, Statute measure or thereabouts, which plot is situate between William street and Cross Lane in the Town of New Ross, in the Parish

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of St Marys and Barony of Bantry and County of Wexford, and was demised to them by Lease bearing date the 20th day of April 1898, made between Colonel Charles George Lattenham of the one part and Your Memorialists of the other part for the term of three hundred years from the 25th day of March 1898. at the yearly rent of Four Pounds.

6. That Your Memorialists are owners in fee simple of another plot of land within said Sanitary District situate in Barrack Lane in the Town of New Ross, Parish of St. Marys, Barony of Bantry and County of Wexford.

7. That Your Memorialists propose erect on said plot of land situate between William Street and Cross Lane aforesaid Sixty Dwelling Houses and on the said plot situate at Barrack Lane aforesaid, Eight Dwelling Houses, and are desirous of obtaining the Sanction of Your Lordships to the appropriation of land for the purpose aforesaid.

Your Memorialists therefore humbly pray that Your Lordships may be pleased to Sanction the appropriation of the above mentioned plots for the purpose of

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of erecting Houses thereon as
stated in the foregoing Memorial
And your Memorialists in duty
bound will ever pray

Dated this day of August 1898

Chairman of Said
Town Commissioners (Seal)

Two of Said Town Commissioners

Clerk of Said Town Commrs
and Executive Sanitary Officer

Signed at
meeting held
on the 17th inst
by Minutes

Calfer & Gethin
Solicitors to the Local Authority
New Rep.

Ordered — That a Cheque be issued in favour of Messrs Calfer & Gethen for £30. to pay the Misses Mullin for the plot of ground in Barrack Lane.

Memorial to Treasury adjourned

As the Chairman was not at home the Clerk was directed to ascertain when the Chairman would be at home, and then Summon a meeting, so that the Chairman Could attend and Sign the Memorial.

A Card was received from Mr James saying he Could attend at 9.30 on Thursday

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Thursday 4th August if that would suit the Committee & look at the footpath on High Hill.

Ordered — That the Clerk write to Mr Jones telling him to call whenever he will be in town.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 10th August 1898.

1898 — Thursday 4th August. At half past
August 4th five o'clock A.M. Present —
Peter Murphy and
High Hill Footpath Peter J. Byrne, inspected the upper part of the Footpath at High Hill with Mr Jones Assistant County Surveyor, to see the best means of preparing a Specification for the work to be done in finishing the Footpath from Hoyne's House to the steps leading to the Convent Yard.

Mr Jones to prepare a specification It was agreed that Mr Jones prepare a Specification for the work to be done, and send it to the Commissioners' Office when Completed.

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August 10th of the Town Commissioners and Street Commissioners held this day after ½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Also — To Consider an invitation for the attendance of Commissioners at the Great Demonstration in Dublin at the laying of the foundation of a Monument Wolf Tone and the United Irishmen.

To Consider a Report from the Harbour Commissioners respecting the Rosslare and Fishguard Harbour and Railway Bill.

Members present Mayor —

Patrick Tierney in the Chair.
Joseph Roche
Patrick Lyamon
Peter Murphy
Peter J Byrne

87 The weekly Bill amounted to £3.13.0

In reference to laying piping to Canney pipe water to J. Keppels house on the Quay, the Clerk stated that there were a Number of Main pipe lengths on hands, that probably might be sufficient to reach from Armstrongs to Keppels house on the Quay

Ordered — That the Street Inspector get the lengths of piping on hands Counted to See if there be sufficient to extend from

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from Armstrongs to Keppels house and try to ascertain what the probable Cost of laying the Piping would amount to

The following was read.

Dear Sir,

Yours received. In reply I beg to say I have forwarded Mr Deane his receipt some few days ago, and lodged the amount received from him the day after receiving same to the Credit of Commissioners, as you Can see by the lodgment sheet July 1st 1898

Yours &c M. McGrath.

The Clerk reported that Farrell who was accepted at last meeting as Tenant for the vacant house in William street, did not bring his sureties to Sign the Tenants Bond.

Ordered — That the Tenancy of the house be advertised.

High Hill Foot Path Specification from W Jones

The following is the Specification received from Mr W. H. Jones, County Surveyors Assistant for the work to be done at High Hill foot path. It was read and Considered.

"The present surface to be lowered and removed to a sufficient depth to give the new surface the same level as the old one — a layer of broken stones to be spread evenly over the whole surface to be Covered by a layer of Concrete 4" thick, mixed

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High Hill
~~Footpath~~
Specification

Mixed in the proportion of 3 parts fine, sharp Clean Gravel and Sand to one of the best portland Cement, properly prepared and laid by a skilled workman. the Mixture when once mixed to be Continuously worked until laid. The surface to have a slight fall outward and to be plated smooth and then plated to Correspond with the other portion already Completed. That portion opposite opposite the large door to be Crossbarred.

The present Green stone Kerbing to be replaced by dressed granite Kerbing 9"x 6" evenly and properly laid in fine Mortar on a bed of rubble Masonry. The Granite Kerbing there at present to be dressed to Correspond with the new Kerbs. The uncampleted water Channel to be Continued and finished to the foot of the lowest flight of steps. When Campleted the Whole new work must be sheeted over with planks to prevent injury to Concrete until it is properly dry and fit for traffic.

The Work to be laid out and finished to the full Satisfaction of the Assistant County Surveyor or Some other Competent person to be appointed by the Newry Town Commissioners

Signed by

6th August 1898. W. H. Jones, Asst. Co Surveyor.

Ordered

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Ordered — That Advertisements be issued inviting proposals for the performance of the work to be done at the High Hill Foot-path in accordance with the specification

An application was read from W.P. Bolger for the use of the large Room for holding an Auction on the 17th August 1898 on the usual terms.

Ordered — That W Bolger be allowed the use of the Large Room to hold the Auction for the Sum of five Shillings.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 17th August 1898.

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August 17th. of the Town Commissioners' ~~acting as the~~ and Street Committee, held this day after 7½ O'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854

Also — "To Consider the Memorial to the Treasury asking for their Sanction to the appropriation of two plots of Ground — in William Street and Barrack Lane for the purposes of the Housing of the Working Classes Acts".

Also To Sign the Borough Rate Books.

Members present — Mayor —
Matthew I. Finn Chairman, in the Chair
Michael I. Stephenson

Joseph

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Joseph Roche
Ratrick Tierney
Ratrick Kennedy
David Murphy
Ratrick Gannon

89 The weekly Bill amounted to — £3.13.6

A proposal was read from Thomas Daley Windmill Lane, stoker of the "Ida" steamer for the Tenancy of the vacant house in William Street. He offered Lawrence Ryan Michael Street, Mate on steamer "Ida" and Michael Carroll, Bullavin, Fireman on steamer "Ida". as his sureties.

Proposed by Mr Kennedy
seconded by Mr Tierney —

That Thomas Daleys proposal for the the house be accepted, on his bond being signed by his sureties.

Housing of the working Classes & Memorial to the Treasury signed

The Borough Rate Book and Copy of same for Collector, were signed.

The Memorial to the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of Her Majestys Treasury asking their Sanction to the appropriation of the two Plots of ground in William Street and Barrack Lane, for the purposes of the Housing of the Working Classes Acts, entered in page 947. was submitted to the Meeting. The Document was

Signed

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Signed by the Chairman and two other Members — Messrs — M. J. Stephenson and P. Kennedy Sealed with the Common Seal of the Town Commissioners and Countersigned by the Clerk, and ordered to be given to Messrs Calfer and Gethin for transmission to the Lords of the Treasury.

The Street Inspectors Report — Two Boatloads of Limestones will be required for the Bridge and the approaches from Bridge Street and the Quay.

Ordered — That the Finance Committee be summoned to meet at ½ 8 o'clock P.M. Thursday 25th August 1898, To transact business — Cancel Uncollectable amounts of Borough Rate &c.

No proposal received for the work at High Hill Footpath.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 24th August 1898.

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August 24th.

Wednesday 24th August— A Weekly Meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after ½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Also to Consider a Circular and Copy of an order made by the Lord Lieutenant and Privy Council, received from D. Harell Under Secretary, entitled "The Local Government (Transitory Provisions) No 1. Order 1898.

Members present— Allegar
Patrick Tierney, in the Chair
Michael J Stephenson
Joseph Roche
William Murphy
Patrick Lyannon

92 The Weekly Bill amounted to £3.13.6

Street Inspector's Report— There are nine heaps of Manure finished in the Commissioners Yard.

Ordered— That Advertisements be issued inviting proposals for the nine heaps of Manure in the Commissioners Yard. The proposals to be Considered at next Meeting.

Ordered— That advertisements be issued inviting proposals for the supply of Two boatloads of Limestones. The proposals to state the number of Tons in each boatload.

The

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The following was read.

North Strand New Pop. 24th August 1898

The Town Commissioners

Gentlemen,

Please let me know will you rent me the large Room in Model for Dramatic purposes on the same terms as last years past.

I am Gentlemen
Your obedient Servant
M. Roche

Ordered—That the use of the large Room be let to Michael Roche for the Dramatic Club on same terms as last year—Viz—The rent & the 1/6 per week—M. Roche to provide the light required in the room by the Club—Also—that as in preceding years, the Boat Club, Athletic Sports Committee, Bicycle Clubs, or any other body, permitted by the Town Commissioners, be allowed to hold their meetings in the room, and also Auctions, & during M. Roches' Tenancy. Also, to drop the Key in the letter box or office each night.

A Communication was read from Edward Martin Bridge street—Saying in Consequence of my supply of water, which practically renders it useless I have to request that you will be good enough to have it cut off.

Ordered—That E Martin be requested to

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the Junction of his pipe examined as the impediment to the flow of water is often at the Junction pipe

A proposal for two heaps of Manure at 20/- was read from John Rennel Kilbraheen Co^y Kilkenny.

The proposal being deemed too low was not accepted

The following was read.

Dublin Castle, 18th August 1898.
(Chief Secretary's Office)

Circular.

Sir

I am directed by the Lords Justices to transmit for your information Copy of an Order made by the Lord Lieutenant and Privy Council dated the 16th Instant entitled the Local Government (Transitory Provisions) No 1 order 1898.

I am
Sir
Your obedient Servant
D. Harell

The Town Clerk
New Ross.

Local Government (Ireland) Act Transitory Order No 1.

The Local Government (Ireland) Act (Transitory Order) Provisions) No 1 Order in Council was annexed.

Clerk's Report J Dowling had ceased to be a Comr

The Clerk reported that W. Dowling had ceased to be a Commissioner not having attended a Meeting since the 16th February and the 16th August being the last day of his office

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Office as a Commissioner.

The 3rd paragraph of the Order said the Term of Office of any member of the Council of a Borough or Commissioner of a Town or Townchip who are in office at the date of the Order shall Continue notwithstanding any want of qualification, until the day next following the day of the first election under the Act of Members of the Council or Commissioners of that Borough or town, and until that election no election shall be held.

As Mr Dowlings last day of qualification held until the expiration of the 16th of August and the Order in Council being signed on the 16th of August it appeared that there was some difficulty in deciding whether a Commissioner Could be elected by Co-option or the Vacancy allowed to stand until the first Election under the new Act as referred to in the above paragraph of the Order.

The Clerk suggested that the question of filling the Vacancy in the Usual Manner or not be Referred to the Solicitor to the Town Commissioners for advice.

The full Copy of the Order so far as Relates to Municipal affairs.

By the Lord Lieutenant and Privy Council in Ireland.

Cadogan. Whereas it is enacted by Section

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106 of the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1898, that the Lord Lieutenant by Order in Council may (among other matters) make such transitory provisions as appear to him necessary or expedient for bringing the said Act into operation, and in particular for regulating the various matters therein mentioned.

And whereas it appears to Us necessary or expedient for certain of those purposes that the provisions hereinafter Contained should have full effect.

And whereas by Rules Publication Act 1893, Section 2 it is provided that where a rule-making authority certifies that on account of urgency or any special reason any rule should Come into immediate operation ~~operation~~, it should be lawful for such Authority to make any such rules to Come into operation forthwith as provisional rules, but such provisional rules should only Continue in accordance with the foregoing provisions of the said Rules Publication Act.

Now, therefore, We, the Lord Lieutenant-General and General Governor of Ireland, by virtue of the powers vested in Us for that purpose as aforesaid, and of all other powers enabling Us in that behalf, do order and it is hereby Ordered as follows:—

Short title.

1. This order may be cited as the Local Government (Transitory Provisions No 1) Order, 1898.

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2. (1) In this Order, unless the Context otherwise requires, —
(a) the expression "the Act" shall mean the Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898; and
(b) other expression, shall have the same meaning as in the Act.

52 & 53 Vic c. 63.

(2.) The Interpretation Act 1889, applies for the purpose of the interpretation of this Order as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Continuance in office of existing Councillors, Commissioners &c.

3. — (1) The Term of office of any members of the Council of a borough or Commissioners of a Town or Township who are in office at the date of this Order shall Continue notwithstanding any want of qualification, until the day next following the day of the first election under the Act of Members of the Council or Commissioners of that borough or town, and until that election no election shall be held.

(2.) The term of Office of the Mayor of a borough or Chairman of the Commissioners of a Town who is in Office at the date of this Order shall Continue notwithstanding any want of qualification until a Mayor or Chairman has been Chosen by the Council or Commissioners elected at the first election under the Act for that borough or town and has made a declaration

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declaration accepting the Office.

(3.) The term of Office of the Municipal Commissioners of Carrickfergus who are in Office at the date of this Order shall Continue notwithstanding any want of qualification, until the day next following the day of the first election under the Act of a Council—

(a) so far as the Commissioners are an Urban Sanitary Authority, then for the Urban district of Carrickfergus; and

(b.) so far as those Commissioners are a rural Sanitary Authority, then for the rural district Comprising the portion of Carrickfergus, which is a rural Sanitary district;

and until the said elections no election shall be held.

(4) The term of office of the Chairman of the Municipal Commissioners of Carrickfergus shall Continue, notwithstanding any want of qualification until the day above named for Continuance in office of the Municipal Commissioners

(5.) The terms of Office of any Sheriff for a County of a City or County of a Town who is in office at the date of this Order shall Continue until the the 23rd day of February next after the first election of Councillors under the Act, and except for the purpose of filling a Casual vacancy in the office of sheriff, no further selection of sheriff shall be made by such Council until after the first election under the Act, but this Sub-section shall not apply to the Counties of the Towns of Galway and Carrickfergus.

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The remainder of the Order referred to Boards of Guardians and District Councils and County affairs

The order concluded

Given at the Council Chamber Dublin Castle, the 16th day of August 1898.

Ashbourne C. Rawlinson
Hedges Eyre Chatterton Joseph M. Meade.
R. D. Martin

No order made.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 31st August 1898.

1898 — Thursday 25th August
August 25th.

A meeting of the Finance Committee to be held this day at ½ o'clock P.M. To transact business of the Committee — Cancel irrecoverable amounts of Borough Rate, Pipe Water Rent, and Rents.

Mr Roche was the only member in attendance.

The Meeting was adjourned to Friday 26th August 1898

1898 Friday 26th August — An Adjourned Meeting of the ~~Town Commissioners~~ Finance Committee to be held this day at ½ o'clock P.M. to transact business of the Committee — Cancel irrecoverable amounts of Borough Rate

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Rate, Pipe Water Rent, and Rents.
Members in attendance — Messrs
Joseph Roche
Matthew J. Finn
A Quorum not having assembled
the meeting was adjourned.

1898 — August 31st — Wednesday 31st August — A meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee to be held this day at 7½ O'clock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854. Members in attendance, Messrs
Joseph Roche
Peter J Byrne
Patrick Lennon
Patrick Kennedy
A Quorum not having assembled
the meeting was adjourned to Thursday
the 7th September 1898.

1898 — September 1st — Thursday 1st September — A meeting of the Town Commissioners and Street Committee held this day after 7½ Oclock P.M. to transact business pursuant to the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 Also — To examine the Abstract of uncollected Borough Rate and Cancel the uncollectable amounts.
Present — Messrs —

Matthew

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Matthew J Finn Chairman in the Chair
Michael J Stephenson
Peter Murphy
Joseph Roche
Peter J Byrne
Henry G. Hinton.

Cheques were issued for the following amounts

95 Weekly Bill £3.7.5
96 J Freeman advt of a/c painting Wm Carter 1.6.0

Ordered - That Advertisements be issued inviting proposals for lighting the Public Lamps with Gas or oil from the 15th September 1898 to the 15th April 1899, and for lighting the usual number of Public Lamps during the dark nights in the Summer of 1899. The Advertisements to be in the usual form

A Card was read from Chevalier Koglowskie saying Having arrived in Ireland to study the Institutions of the Country, on which I am at present writing a Book, would ask you to Kindly send me Copies of the Rules ~~of the~~ Reports, Papers Budgets, Finances, Statistics, Evidences and Local Laws of your Town & Berkeley Hotel, London

Ordered - That the Clerk send particulars of the Taxation &c of the Town of

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New Rop. to Chevalier Koglowskie as desired.

The following was read

36 South Frederick St. Dublin
25th August 1898.

Vigors Estate

Vigors Estate (manure yard)

Dear Sir,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of yours of the 23rd inst. and with Enclosure. I have forwarded same to the Court Examiner and will let you know the Judges Ruling when same is made.

Yours faithfully
Charles Dickinson

John McLoughlin
Lower Clerk Newry.

Borough Rate Abstract of Uncollected Rate

The Abstract of the Uncollected Borough Rate was submitted for examination and Cancelling the amounts deemed irrecoverable.

The following are the results of the Examination and Cancelling—

Unavailable Rate	£1.10.0
Vacant Houses and Premises	10.7.5¼
Exemptions	4.8.3
Allowances for time, Rooms, Houses not occupied	13.10
Half annual Rent	1.17.6
Rate available, to be returned with new Rate, as arrears	7.16.5¼
	£26.13.5¾

Lowe

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Same Cases appeared in the Collectors Abstract of premises of Tenants, which they had not in use. They Claimed exemption and were entered in the Collectors Abstract under the Head of "Vacant Houses".

Uncollected B Rate

The 60th Section of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act referring to "Exemption" referred to Lessors or Landlords not to Tenants.

Collector to ask for Solfers opinion

The Collector was directed to Submit the Cases to the Solicitors & the Commissioners and take their opinions as to whether the persons referred to were exempt or not.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 7th September 1898

1898 — September 5th Monday ~~Wednesday~~ 5th September — Monthly Meeting day. No attendance of Members.
The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 7th September 1898.

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1898 — Wednesday 7th September — A Weekly
September 7th. and an Adjourned Monthly meeting of
the Town Commissioners, and of the Street
Committee, held this day after 7½ o'clock
P.M. to transact business pursuant to
the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act
1854. Members present — Messrs —

Patrick Kennedy in the Chair
Michael J. Stephenson
Joseph Roche
William Murphy
Peter Murphy
Henry G. Hinson
Patrick Gannon

98 The Weekly Bill amounted —— £3.11.8

The following were read.

New Ross Gas Company (Limited), New Ross, 6th Sept 1898.

Dear Sir,

Public Lighting Proposal

I enclose Proposal for lighting Your Public Lamps according to your advertisment. You are probably aware that since our last proposal Coal has gone up a good deal in price, notwithstanding which We charge same price as last year, and on this account, hope Your payments will in future be more prompt.

Your obedient Servant
David Hunt Sec.

John Tobin. Esqr

New Ross Gas Company, Ltd. 7th Sept 1898.

To the New Ross Town Commissioners.

Gentlemen — In answer to your advertisment for

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Public Lighting Proposal Gas Company

for lighting your Public Lamps in the Town, I beg to propose on behalf of this Company to light them as follows;—

Winter Lighting from 15th Sept. 1898 to 15th April 1899.

44 Lamps to be extinguished at 11 o'clock £1.14.0 per Lamp

Lamps

14 Lamps to remain lighting all night at £2.15.0 per lamp

The above lamps not to be lighted on the nights of full moon, that is two nights before the night of the full moon and two nights after. You had 13 lamps lighted during these nights of the full moon last winter lighting and should you think well to have them this year we will Charge at 6/8 per Lamp same as last ~~year~~ Contract.

Summer lighting from 15th April to 15th Sept. 1899.

15 Lamps to remain lighting all night same nights of full moon at £1-0-0 per Lamp.

The Lamp at the Hotel to be Charged at £5. per annum

I propose to use a four feet burner, her large burner
Sample of which I send you.

I cannot give You the Candle power, as we have no appliances for testing it, but from the quality of our Coal I am sure the light supplied will give general satisfaction

Your obedient servant

David Hunt. Sec.

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Ordered – That the Proposals from the Gas Coy be accepted.

Proposed by Mr Gannon
Seconded by Mr Stephenson –

That a Committee of the Whole body of Commissioners be appointed to inspect the lamp at Fair Gate, and recommend the best position for the Convenience of the Ratepayers. Passed Unanimously.

Ordered – That the Committee be Summoned to meet at 8 oclock P.M. Thursday 15th September 1898, to proceed to inspect and report their opinions.

The Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 14th September 1898.

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